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The Independent

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credit THE INDEPENDENT
cordially bespeaks the
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patrons and friends.

VOLUME THIRTY-SIX.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1910.

WHOLE NUMBER, 1834

A FIRST-CLASS ADVERTISING MEDIUM IN THE MIDDLE SECTION OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Paragraphs of Local and General Interest.

—Some
—Very sultry
—August weather
—In September.
—Success to the boys and girls in their school work. Now is their opportunity.
—Most opportunities come but once in the life-time of an individual.
—Dr. J. Newton Hunsberger, after a quarter of a century's practice in Skippack, has removed to Norristown.
—By the time the growers of peaches at Boyertown have marketed their crops the total shipment will exceed 20,000 baskets.
—In the old Wells farm house, at Pottstown, erected in 1735, a reunion of the Wells and Wills families was held Saturday.
—Joseph Shields, of Philadelphia, fell from a train at Spring Mill and received painful cuts and bruises.
—Integrity without knowledge is weak and useless, and knowledge without integrity is dangerous and dreadful.—Johnson.
—During the runaway of his team, John Yeager, of East Nantmeal, Chester county, was thrown from his wagon and had his lower lip nearly torn off.
—The Grubbs had a great family reunion at Sanatoga Park, near Pottstown, Saturday.
—Work on the sanitarium to be erected by the State Health Department at Hamburg, will not be begun now before next spring.
—Pottstowners are agitating a movement for a celebration of the 100th anniversary of that town as a borough in 1915.
—John Hoy, of Bridgeport, has blood poisoning, which developed from a blow on the arm by a baseball.
—The trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Norristown, have purchased for \$2100 an automobile, to be used by them in going to their meetings, instead of horses.
—Injuries sustained when he fell from a tall pear tree caused the removal of a part of the upper jaw for Henry G. Moyer, near Skippackville, and tetanus is now feared.
—Relatives of Charles Newhall, a young farmer of Kimberton, Chester county, are worried over his whereabouts following his mysterious disappearance two weeks ago.
—Jumping from the rear of their wagon when their runaway horse was nearing the bottom of a steep hill, where there was a short turn, William Reese and Harold Clemmons, of Royersford were both hurt.

Labor Day.

There were a number of visitors in town on Labor Day. Several special trains on the railroad were required to transport those who came from Philadelphia and other places to the Perkiomen Valley. Trolley cars were operated at frequent intervals.

Entertained Friends and Relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. George Clamer entertained a number of relatives at dinner on Sunday in honor of their 15th wedding anniversary.
On Saturday evening Miss Katharine Hobson entertained a number of friends at a five hundred card party, at her home. Among the guests were young folks from Norristown, Pottstown and Wilmington, Del., and many of the girls were Miss Hobson's chums at Wilson College. The prizes of the evening were won by Miss Helen Daub and Mr. Ross Longacre, of Pottstown. Refreshments were served.

It Saved His Leg.

"All thought I'd lose my leg," writes J. A. Swensen, of Watertown, Wis. "Ten years of eczema, that 15 doctors could not cure, had at last laid me up. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured it, sound and well." Infallible for Skin Eruptions, Eczema, Salt Rheum, Boils, Fever Sores, Burns, Scalds, Cuts and Piles. 25c. at Joseph W. Culbert's drug store, Collegeville, at M. T. Hunsicker's store, Ironbridge.

PERSONAL.

Dr. and Mrs. William Hunsicker, who have been spending the summer in Mr. Rimby's house, returned to the city last Thursday.

Dr. Cornish and son and Mrs. Rauch are spending the week at Atlantic City.

Mr. William Sterner and family and Miss Mae Sterner, of Philadelphia, are visiting Mr. Jacob Sterner and family.

Mrs. John Keyser and son Howard spent Sunday in Pottstown.

Misses Margaret Haller, Virginia Haller, and Fannie Hamer, of Philadelphia, are the guests of Miss Mabel Vanderslice.

Miss Jessie Custer, of Philadelphia, spent Labor Day with her parents.

Miss Lola Butler left here on Monday for Clayton, N. J. where she takes up her duties in the High School.

Ernest Miller, of Philadelphia, is spending his vacation with his mother.

Mr. Jacob S. Moser, of Conshohocken called on his brother, the scribe, Monday.

Dr. Baer and family who have been spending the summer in Miss Mary Fox's house, returned to the city on Tuesday.

Mr. Howard Keyser has taken a position in the High School of Pottstown, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. George Berron, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Barrett.

Mr. Roy Moser is teaching in the schools of Narbeth, Pa.

Miss Dora Moyer has returned to her school at Glassboro, N. J.

Mr. Horace Custer has returned to Springfield, N. J. where he is teaching in the High Schools.

The Misses Neff have returned to their schools, Helen at Medford and Evelyn at Moorestown.

Mr. Howard Tyson has taken up his work for the term in the High School at Lansdowne.

Mr. Albert Thompson left on Monday for Ayres, North Dakota, where he has a position in the Ayres High School.

Miss Loretta Scheuren spent several days visiting Miss Helen Stout at Lansdale.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Sharadin, and Mrs. A. G. Neff, of Kutztown, were the guests of Mrs. Neff last Friday.

Mr. George Barrett entered a Business School, Tuesday.

The Misses Hobson entertained Miss Ethel Ball and Mr. William Stamford, of Wilmington, Del., Mr. Roy Ritter, of Allentown, and John Hewitt, of Cape May, N. J. at a week end home party.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Grove Haines have reached Walla Walla, Washington, where Dr. Haines has taken the position of Political Science and History at Witman College.

Mr. and Mrs. Shapell of Mohrsville, Berks county and Mrs. Daniel A. Shiffert, of Pottstown, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Augie last week.

Numerous Court Cases.

Judges Swartz and Weand have announced that an extra week of Criminal Court will be held in October. The Criminal Court will be held the first two weeks, and if any cases are started in the second week and are not finished they will be continued to the third week. The grand jury will sit during the first week. The sessions of Civil Court will be the weeks of October 17 and 24.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by druggists. Price 75c. per bottle. Take Hall's Family pills for constipation.

Council Passes Ordinance.

At a regular meeting of the Town Council of this borough, Friday evening, the ordinance granting a franchise to the Collegeville Electric Light, Heat and Power Company passed third and final reading. The Councilmen who voted yea were Messrs. Burns, Culp, Miller, and Walt. Those who voted nay were Messrs. Bordner and Cornish. The ordinance is now in the hands of Burgess H. H. Fetterolf for his approval, or disapproval. The borough legislation thus enacted by Council practically ignores the suggestions and considerations contained in the INDEPENDENT of last week. It is to be at least hoped that the people of this borough will preserve for future reference the article noted, which was written and published for the benefit of the people of the present and future of this community. The editor has discharged his duty. If the people are willing to accept the work of their officials in this instance as satisfactory to themselves, and those who come after them, so be it; but, do the people of Collegeville realize what they SHOULD GET and are NOT GETTING in the ordinance passed Friday evening? If they do not they have the opportunity to read again, and thoughtfully, the article in last week's issue. The editor does not believe that Burgess Fetterolf will approve the ordinance in its present shape. The ordinance as passed should never become operative. If it does become so the time will come when the people of this town will wonder where some other people were at when such an ordinance was finally adopted.

Norristown Rejects Carnegie Library Offer.

The Carnegie library proposition, which has been before the School Board of Norristown for several months, was voted down Friday evening by a vote of fourteen to seven. There was considerable discussion by a number of the directors before a vote was taken. Before the Board convened an effort was made by those in favor of the library proposition to have the matter decided in the committee room instead of at the regular Board meeting. Those against the library would not agree to this, however, as they contended that this matter should be decided in an open meeting.

Reliable Fertilizers.

As the time for the sowing of wheat and rye approaches farmers will do well to avail themselves of the superior fertilizers manufactured by Jacob Trinley, of Linfield. For many years these high-grade fertilizers have stood a thorough test and have been proven to be among the very best on the market. They are manufactured in Montgomery county and Montgomery county farmers can therefore procure just what their soil needs right at home. See adverb., page 8.

Hired Man Did More Than Obey Orders.

John Edwards, a well known Belfry farmer, hired a man on a Norristown street the other day to do general work about his farm. He told the man to get up early the next morning and do the work. The man obeyed the instructions and arose before any other member of the family was out of bed. He disappeared with some watches, clothing and miscellaneous articles.

Injured by Dynamite Cap.

Francis Canning, aged 11 years, of Lansdale, is in the Charity Hospital, Norristown, in a very critical condition as a result of trying to find out what was in a dynamite cap.

Don't Break Down.

Severe strains on the vital organs, like strains on machinery, cause break-downs. You can't over-tax stomach, liver, kidneys, bowels or nerves without serious danger to yourself. If you are weak or run-down, or under strain of any kind, take Electric Bitters, the matchless tonic medicine. Mrs. J. E. Van de Sande, of Kirkland, Ill., writes: "That I did not break down, while enduring a most severe strain, for three months, is due wholly to Electric Bitters." Use them and enjoy health and strength. Satisfaction positively guaranteed. 50c. at Joseph W. Culbert, Collegeville, and at M. T. Hunsicker's store, Ironbridge.

OPENING OF URSINUS COLLEGE.

The forty-first academic year of Ursinus College will be opened with appropriate exercises on next Wednesday evening, September 14 at 8 o'clock. The address will be delivered by the Hon. Nathan C. Schaeffer, L. L. D., State Superintendent of Public Instruction. The people of this community are cordially invited to be present.

Arthur C. Howland, Ph. D., has been elected Acting Professor of History for the coming year. Dr. Howland is professor of History in the University of Pennsylvania and will give his time to the work of both institutions until a successor is elected to Dr. Charles G. Haines, by whose resignation the department became vacant last spring. David Leslie Stamy, A. B., who was graduated with extraordinary honors in 1908, has been appointed Instructor in Latin, French and Mathematics, and Calvin D. Yost, Librarian of the College, has been appointed Instructor in English to teach in addition to his duties as librarian. Other officers to take up work at Ursinus for the first time this fall are Harry A. Sykes as Instructor in Organ and Piano and the Theory of Music, and Mrs. Florence B. Cordo, as Principal of Shreiner Hall.

Meeting of Gas Company.

The annual meeting of the Collegeville Gas Company was held in the Council Chamber in Firemen's hall on Tuesday afternoon. The report of Treasurer J. C. Landes showed a balance in the treasury and the affairs of the Company to be in a prosperous condition. The following Directors were elected for the ensuing year: G. F. Clamer, H. L. Saylor, J. C. Landes, W. P. Fenton and E. S. Moser. Upon the adjournment of the stockholders' meeting the Directors reorganized by electing G. F. Clamer, President; Secretary and Treasurer, J. C. Landes. The Directors authorized the payment of a dividend of 5 per cent. to stockholders.

Engine Collided With Suit Case.

Stuart R. Drenning, telegraph operator residing in Norristown, and employed at the Perkiomen tower near Oaks, will look after his suit cases more closely in the future. Sunday morning he placed his suit case on the track, went into the tower, and became interested in a friend. While engaged an express from Atlantic City came whirling along. Drenning never thought of his suit case until he went to secure his property. The suit case was torn in bits, while several pieces of clothing were much torn and damaged.

Our Boys and Girls at School Work.

The schools of this borough opened the school year on Tuesday, with a good attendance. Quite a number of pupils from outside districts were enrolled in the High School department. The instructors are: Mr. Hunsberger, principal, and Miss Sponsler assistant principal, of the High School, and both of Collegeville; Miss Anna Evans, of Linfield, grammar department; Miss Annie Smith, of Eagleville, primary department.

Train Late.

The down milk train on the Perkiomen Railroad Thursday morning pulled out a drawbar at Pennsburg. Then there was trouble and delay. The up train was blocked at Oaks, and the next down train waited a while at Collegeville and longer at Perkiomen Junction, reaching Norristown nearly half an hour late.

The Lash of a Fiend

would have been about as welcome to A. Cooper of Oswego, N. Y., as a merciless lung-racking cough that defied all remedies for years. "It was most troublesome at night," he writes, "nothing helped me until I used Dr. King's New Discovery, which cured me completely. I never cough at night now." Millions know its matchless merit for stubborn colds, obstinate coughs, sore lungs, la grippe, asthma, hemorrhage, croup, whooping cough, or hay fever. It relieves quickly and never fails to satisfy. A trial convinces. 50c., \$1.00. Trial bottle free. It is positively guaranteed by Joseph W. Culbert, Collegeville, and by M. T. Hunsicker, Ironbridge.

Devastating Windstorm.

THE WIND BLEW A TERRIFIC GALE, ACCOMPANIED BY TORRENTIAL RAIN.

A wind and rain storm, terrifying in some localities swept down from the west and northwest late Tuesday afternoon. In this vicinity there was a strong gale and an exceedingly heavy rain shower. Further down the valley the storm was decidedly cyclonic in character. Near Oaks and Green Tree several large trees were uprooted, fruit trees were divested of fruit, corn was blown down and other damage done. At Mont View a part of the roof of the barn was torn off and carried about 200 feet, limbs of trees were twisted off, and the cottage on the same property was subjected to a most terrific strain. The heavy walls and well secured slate roof no doubt saved the building from destruction. During the sweep and whirl of the storm the scene as viewed through the window panes, bulging inward under the pressure of the gale, was certainly awe-inspiring and majestic in grandeur.

Family Reunion.

On Sunday the Robison family held a reunion to welcome Miss Nina Carbart home from Europe, at the home of Joseph Robison this borough. Miss Carbart is a niece of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Moll, of Norristown. A very delightful day was enjoyed by everyone.

Harvest Home Service.

The annual Harvest Home service will be held in Trinity Reformed church, this borough, on next Sunday morning, September 11th. The sermon will be preached by the pastor of the church and the choir will render special music.

Garwood Picnic Postponed.

The annual picnic of the Garwood Sunday School of Upper Providence which was to have been held Saturday was a failure on account of inclement weather. The picnic was declared off for this year.

Married.

September 3, at the parsonage of St. Luke's Reformed church, Trappe, by Rev. S. L. Messinger, D. D., Clarence Miller of Sunbury, Pa., and Miss Bertha R. Gennaria, of Royersford, Pa.

Friends' Meeting.

Under the care of Gwynedd Monthly Meeting an appointed meeting will be held in the Providence meetinghouse on Sunday afternoon, the 25th instant, at three o'clock.

Jumped From Moving Train.

Joseph Shield, of Spring City, a traveling man, while riding in a Reading Railway train, Thursday, thought that he had gone by his destination, Conshohocken. He gave a leap from the train at Spring Mill and nearly received fatal injuries. He was taken to the hospital at Spring City where it was found that his injuries are of a serious nature but that they will not prove fatal.

River Carnival at Norristown.

Several thousand persons witnessed a beautiful sight Monday evening on the Schuylkill river between the head of Barbados Island and the Main Line connecting railroad bridge, Norristown. Long before the appointed hour for the starting of the contesting boats the banks of the river were thronged with eager expectant persons, while the lucky ones, who were fortunate enough to have been assigned seats on the parks at the boat houses, came more slowly. Shortly after eight o'clock when the gaily designed competitors arranged themselves for the start, every available spot along the course was taken, hundreds taking advantage of the embankment at the foot of Buttonwood street. The event was greatly appreciated. Prizes were awarded.

DEATHS.

Margaret Dill, mother of Dr. W. W. Dill, of Norristown, died Friday at the Mennonite Home, Frederick, aged 87 years. The funeral was held on Tuesday. Interment at Berlin, N. J.; undertaker F. W. Shalkop in charge.

Mary, wife of B. F. Richard, died on Friday at Schwenksville, aged 55 years. The husband and five children survive, among whom are Elmer Richard and Mrs. Abram Bradford, of Trappe. Funeral this Thursday. Interment at the Mennonite cemetery, Schwenksville; undertaker F. W. Shalkop in charge.

Isabella, wife of Milton B. Schrack, died Tuesday evening of typhoid fever at her home in Trappe, aged 33 years. Mrs. Schrack was taken ill several weeks ago and her condition became serious almost from the start. Her death is much deplored by many friends who sincerely sympathize with the afflicted husband, father, and other near relatives. Deceased was a daughter of John Whitby, of Upper Providence, who survives. Three sisters also survive: Mrs. I. C. Brunner, Mrs. Wm. Kratz, and Annie Whitby, all of Upper Providence. The funeral will be held on Saturday at 2 p. m. All services and interment at the Lutheran church and cemetery, Trappe; undertaker F. W. Shalkop in charge. Relatives and friends are invited without further notice.

Danger In Unwashed Fruit.

"There is no shutting our eyes to the danger of eating unwashed fruit," said Doctor Dixon, State Health Commissioner, Friday, in discussing the necessity of taking every precaution to guard against typhoid fever and other communicable diseases. Fruits which may look very attractive when served at a meal have very probably been handled by many human hands, transported long distances and exposed to much dirt and the visitation of insects, particularly flies of various species. Before raw fruit is eaten it should be carefully washed with pure water, and spoiled fruit, which attracts a great variety of insects, should never be eaten raw. The time and energy necessary to wash raw fruit is a bagatelle alongside of a case of typhoid fever. Life is made up of little things. Little things as a rule start our great epidemics of disease."

Farmers' Picnic at White City.

The five days' picnic of the farmers of Montgomery and Bucks counties began Tuesday at Chestnut Hill Park. Tuesday was designated as Keystone party day, and candidate Berry spoke. Wednesday Grinn was present and the occasion was Democratic day. Republican day is Thursday, when Tener will address the hosts. Friday "Farmer" Creasy will speak and Saturday the Hon. Wayne MacVeagh. On each day other prominent men will also speak. There will be a fruit column thirty feet high, comical races for farmer lads and lassies and for men and women, band concerts daily, free amusements for young and old, a poultry show, farm products, implement exhibition, and a host of other things that will keep visitors amused and interested from morning until night. A large number of farmers from Upper Providence and adjoining townships are in attendance.

86th Birthday of Frances Zollers Celebrated.

Misses Mary and Laura Zollers on Friday entertained at dinner at their home at Trappe, in celebration of the 86th birthday anniversary of their father, Francis Zollers. Most of Mr. Zollers' closest relatives, including about a half a dozen from Norristown, gathered at the homestead and extended their wishes for many more happy returns of the day. He was also in receipt of a large number of post cards from friends extending congratulations. Despite his advanced years Mr. Zollers is hale, hearty and active. While he has never held office he was for most of his life active in politics and always exercised his influence in behalf of good government.

THE INDEPENDENT

TERMS—\$1.00 PER YEAR
IN ADVANCE.

Thursday, Sep. 8, 1910.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. James' Church, Lower Providence, Rev. F. S. Ballentine, rector. Morning service and sermon 10.30. Sunday School, 9.15 a. m. Holy Communion, First Sunday in the month. All are cordially invited and welcome.

Trinity Reformed Church, Collegeville, Rev. F. C. Yost, D. D., pastor. Services next Sunday at 10 a. m. Sunday School at 9. Junior Christian Endeavor at 2 p. m., and Senior C. E. at 7 p. m.

Parish of St. Paul's Memorial, Audubon, Oaks, Perkiomen: the Rev. Geo. W. Barnes rector, Oaks P. O., Pa. Bell phone 5-36 T. Church services on Sundays: Audubon—Union Church, 10.45 a. m. Oaks—St. Paul's at 8 a. m.; Sunday School at 2.15 p. m. Choral Evensong, 8.30-7.45 p. m. (alternately). Vested Choir at Oaks. Hearty welcome at all services.

Evansburg M. E. Church.—Sunday School at 9.45 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.

St. Luke's Reformed Church, Trappe, Rev. S. L. Messinger, D. D., pastor. Sunday School at 9.45 a. m. Preaching at 10 a. m. and 7.45 p. m. Junior Endeavor prayer meeting at 2 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. prayer meeting at 6.45 p. m. Bible study meeting on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. All are most cordially invited to attend the services.

Passenger trains leave Collegeville for Philadelphia: 7.03, 7.45, 11.27 a. m., 6.05 p. m. Sundays—7.13 a. m., 6.33 p. m. For Allentown: 7.45, 11.02 a. m., 2.57, 6.05 p. m. Sundays—9.02 a. m., 7.30 p. m.

Personal.

Mr. Carl Potts and sister and Miss Stoner, of Reading, and Mr. W. J. Purcell, of Philadelphia, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Ingram on Labor Day.

Mennonite Home Anniversary.

The anniversary at the Mennonite Home for the Aged at Frederick, will be held on Saturday, September 17th. An interesting program including good music and good speakers will be rendered. Teams will meet north and south-bound trains at Zieglerville station in the morning only; also trolley cars at Swamp.

Asks Court to Restrain Husband.

Mrs. Jennie Mullen, of Conshohocken, has asked the court to restrain her husband from selling or mortgaging their home and thus leaving her without means of support. Her husband, so the woman alleges, ordered her to leave the house and when she refused to do so, he threatened to sell or mortgage the house and leave with the proceeds for parts unknown. The court will no doubt take care of Mrs. Mullen to the full extent of its legal authority.

Corpse Found in Canal.

William Powell and Howard Ganser, young men bathing in the Schuylkill Canal near Pottstown Monday were given a shock when the head of a drowned man bobbed up between them. The body fully dressed was evidently that of an ironworker and it has not yet been identified. It had probably been in the water for a week and is that of a man about 50 years of age, with a black mustache and short reddish beard. In one of his pockets was a bottle half filled with whisky.

At 33, Lydia Will Marry Her Third Husband.

Mrs. Lydia Zimmerman, of Audubon, 33 years of age, is about to begin her third matrimonial venture. She was granted a divorce for desertion by her first husband on May 20, 1907, while her second died in June, 1909. Her third, to wed whom she has just secured a license, is to be William J. Allen, aged 57, of Norristown, a widower since November, 1904. Mrs. Zimmerman is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith of Norristown.

Wasted Coal Units.

One pound of coal may be taken to have inherently 10,000 work units. Of these 10,000 possible work units 300 are wasted in the ash pit, 1,960 in the stack, 560 in banking fires, 800 in radiation and miscellaneous losses. In other words, in the boiler room 3620 work units are wasted. In the engine room 370 more work units are lost by radiation of heat from the pipes and 4710 work units are sacrificed in the condenser, so that the total engine room loss is 5180 work units. In other words, only 1200 work units are actually available out of the possible 10,000 work units in a pound of coal. One-fifth of the coal bill is paid simply to produce a draught in the smoke-stack.

Bucks County Fair.

The great first annual exhibition of the Bucks County Agricultural Society will be held in Menlow Park from September 14 to 17. It will be the event of the decade in that section of the State and will mark a new epoch in the holding of fairs. Entries may be made in any and every class without one cent of cost to the exhibitor and everything will be guarded night and day so that the best protection is assured.

New Owners of Popular Park.

George W. Unger, of Boyertown and Hillary M. Lessig, of Pottstown, with two other gentlemen, are the new owners of Ringing Rocks Park. The property consists of 200 acres. The new owners will make many improvements next year, among which will be the building of a large artificial lake. New walks, swings, benches and other attractive features will be introduced. A large plot will be laid out in cottage sites, and these will be grouped into family circles.

The Ballon Case.

The case of John Ballon, convicted murderer of cobbler George A. Johnson, of Norristown township, who has applied for a new trial will be argued before the Supreme Court at Pottstown on October 10th. Assistant District Attorney Charles A. McAvoy will represent the Commonwealth. Should the decision of the Supreme Court be against Ballon an application will be made to the Board of Pardon and in case that fails the execution of Ballon will take place. It will be recalled that Ballon was reprieved at the last minute before the time set for his execution. In case the efforts now under way to save him fail he will be executed on October 27th.

Growth of Granges.

Glowing reports of remarkable increase in the membership of the State Grange throughout the agricultural districts of the Commonwealth were brought to Williams Grove, Thursday, by farmers from numerous counties. From every section news was brought of hundreds of new members initiated into the Grange, and of prospects of its even further growth. Rough estimates made by prominent grangers indicate that the order now has more than 70,000 members in this State, and predictions are made that if the gains in numbers are maintained the figures will pass the 100,000 mark within the next two years.

Two Days' Race Meet.

A two days' race meet will be held over the popular half mile track at Penn Square, near Norristown on Thursday, September 15 and September 17. Three classes are on the programme for each day's sport. Thursday the 2.15 trot, 2.17 pace, 2.27 trot, 2.30 pace, 2.20 pace, and 2.18 trot will start. On Saturday, the 17th, the 2.13 trot, 2.15 pace, 2.20 pace, 2.18 trot and 2.35 mixed will provide the entertainment. The entries so far received include the stars that have been racing through Salem, Bridgeton, Wilmington, Baltimore, Lebanon and West Chester. Should these races prove a financial success there is no doubt but what next season will produce a Montgomery County Fair Association. Penn Square is located on the Lansdale trolley line, 2 miles from Norristown and can be reached by any trolley or train running into Norristown.

On Exterminating Woodchucks.

To the request for best method of ridding his farm of woodchucks or "ground hogs," which are destroying the crops of an Erie county farmer, Professor Surface, State Zoologist, outlines the following procedure: To exterminate woodchucks and other animals that live in the ground use the liquid known as carbon bisulphide. This does not cost much and is very satisfactory. The chief point is to close all the holes but one and into this thrust a bunch of rags saturated with the liquid poured on them. It is a good plan to tie the rags to the end of a slender pole and pour the liquid well over them, or dip them into a pan containing the same, and then push this pole into the hole as far as possible, and close the opening at once with clay or mud. This liquid gives off poisonous fumes and should not be breathed more than necessary by the operator. Also, fire should be kept away from it.

Argument for New Trial.

The argument for a new trial for Henry Kessee came up before the Court at Norristown, Tuesday. This defendant was a negro of Edge Hill and was convicted at the last term of court of murder in the first de-

gree. District Attorney Larzelere stated that under the circumstances he could not conscientiously oppose the application for a new trial. The most unusual feature of the case was what has developed through the investigation which has since taken place. The jury at first ballot stood 7 to 5 for second degree murder. During the subsequent deliberations of the jury one of their number became very ill and after discussing and arguing the matter at some length decided that they would agree to bring in a first degree verdict. This conclusion was reached only after they had reasoned that the court would grant Kessee a new trial. This because they felt that the court under the circumstances would regard their verdict as a virtual disagreement. It was their thought, that if they did not go over to the other side the sick juror, John S. Crawford, of Willow Grove, would die. The decision of the court was reserved.

CORRESPONDENCE:



TRAPPE.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack and Frank Hood, of Philadelphia, spent Saturday and Sunday with J. H. Hoot and family.

Miss Ella Hoot is spending a few weeks in Philadelphia.

Mr. Clarence Gresh and Leon Plank, of Little Oley, Robert Binder and wife, of Boyertown, and Misses Edith and Alma Plank, of New York, were the guests of Miss A. G. Plank, over Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Grace Bertolet, of Philadelphia, is spending a few days with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Fisher and children and Grace Salfinger, of Philadelphia, spent the week's end with Mrs. Mathieu.

Mrs. Margaret Stetler, of Germantown, Mrs. Mary Eastwood and daughter Hattie, and J. E. Fry, of Norristown, spent Sunday with Miss Sue Fry.

Mrs. Mathieu and sons Percy and Herman returned Saturday from Sea Isle City where they have spent several weeks.

Mrs. Jones, of Atlantic City is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Anders.

Rowland Umstead started on Tuesday to teach in the public schools of Philadelphia, at the school at 17th and Christian streets.

Miss Gertrude Sipple has taken up her duties for the term at Pleasantville, N. J. where she will teach in the 7th grade.

Mr. Harry Mathieu, who has been working during the summer months in Philadelphia is now taking his vacation in New York before he returns to college.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Umstead, of Norristown, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Umstead Sr.

E. G. Brownback and wife, Misses Cora Keeler and Hallie Vandervliet and Rev. and Mrs. Fegley, of the Lutheran church, attended the annual convention of the Lutheran Sunday School at St. Mark's church, Pennsylvania.

Miss Frances Rushong has resumed her duties for the term in the public schools of Jenkintown.

Misses Weikel have again taken charge of their respective schools, Annie at Oaks and Mary at Yerkes.

Miss Ethel Sipple has started teaching again this term at Jeffersonville.

Miss Lillie Heffelfinger is spending her vacation at home.

Mr. Sipple is on the sick list.

Harvest Home services were held at the Lutheran church on Sunday.

Harvest Home and Rally Day services will be held in St. Luke's Reformed church on Sunday, September 18.

Preaching in the U. E. church next Sunday at 10 a. m. Sunday School at 2 p. m.

SCHWENKSVILLE.

Our schools opened on Monday.

Miss Florence Allebach left for West Chester on Monday where she will attend the State Normal School.

Ernest Johnson who was spending his vacation with his grandmother has returned to Williamson Trade School.

Grover Whitman spent a week in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Devert spent a few days at Gettysburg.

Abner Willauer who was attending Schissler's Business College has secured a position with the Otis Elevator Company, Philadelphia.

The boarding season is nearing an end.

John Link and wife moved to Perkiomenville on Wednesday.

Frank Reed lost his valuable horse, "Maggie," on Tuesday.

LIMERICK.

Mrs. W. M. Zeller and family and Mrs. Thomas Gallagher have returned to their homes in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Wise accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Spare, of Norristown, spent Sunday in Reading.

The L. A. C. lost a game Monday to the Humanes of Royersford. Score 3 to 8.

Beatrice Tyson is improving at this writing.

Miss May Miller and Ralph Graber are going to Perkiomen Seminary next week.

Miss Margaret Hoeger spent some time with Anna Taylor.

Miss Marion Sheetz has returned to her home in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Huzzar and son, of Spring City, were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Graber, over Sunday.

YERKES.

Mrs. Martin Reiner, who has been confined to her bed for a few days, is able to be about again.

A few young men of this vicinity have the baseball craze so bad that they would rather play baseball than work or eat.

Mr. Thomas' new farmer, Mr. Kline, moved last Thursday into Mr. Thomas' tenant house.

Mr. John G. Detwiler is unloading two car-loads of phosphate this week, all sold to well pleased patrons.

Miss Agnes Reiner spent a day in Philadelphia last week and reports having had a very pleasant time.

Miss Edna Landes, Mrs. Alvin Landes and Mrs. Russell Wynn and daughter spent Labor Day at Valley Forge.

Mrs. Mary Harrington spent Saturday with Miss Susie Detwiler.

Mr. George Fetterolf and son, and John Fetterolf spent Labor Day with his parents Mr. and Mrs. John G. Fetterolf.

Mr. John H. Fetterolf Jr. and wife and two daughters spent a few days visiting his parents.

Mr. Joseph S. Detwiler will have his blacksmith shop closed Saturday afternoon, September 10.

GRATERFORD.

Tilghman Houseman who recently relinquished butchering has gone to Quakertown, where he has accepted a job in a large butchery establishment. We wish him success in his new position.

Clarence K. Bechtel, of West Point, was in town during Labor Day.

Alice Fisher started on Monday of this week for West Chester where she will attend the State Normal School.

Amos T. Copenhaver, of Souderston, spent Labor Day with his parents.

Mary Copenhaver and her brother Isaiah spent Sunday at Phoenixville.

Harry Charles is again in his old position as agent and operator after a two weeks' vacation at Ocean Grove.

The faithful Republicans of our township will line up for Tener at Chestnut Hill, this Thursday.

Joseph Dunn is attending school near Baltimore, Md., this season.

The Awakens housed their boat and closed their boat house for the season.

Our schools opened on Tuesday of this week with Robert Whitman in the grammar department and Grace Allebach in the primary.

Mr. Frank Wirtz and family left on Monday for Philadelphia, having closed their cottage.

Elias T. Grater is exhibiting corn with three well developed ears to the stalk, and big egg plants, at the farmers' picnic at White City, this week.

The progressive euchre on Saturday night was a success, and the ladies of the committee return thanks. It was for the benefit of the Catholic Mission.

Garrett Kohl had the largest and best potato crop in our township, this season.

AUTOMOBILES.

It is estimated that there is today invested in automobile plants about \$400,000,000 and that at least 200,000 persons are employed in the manufacturing of automobiles or their accessories. The automobile makers are paying to the railroads of the country between \$25,000,000 and \$30,000,000 annually for freight and consume over \$60,000,000 annually of rubber, steel, iron and aluminum.

EVANSBURG.

Miss Emma Mayer, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday and Monday with Mary Young.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jones visited Howard Jones on Sunday.

Charles Kohs and family of Philadelphia spent Sunday and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Musick.

Miss Mary Casselberry spent Monday at Valley Forge.

Mr. and Mrs. Madden and daughter, of Philadelphia, visited Henry Alderfer and family, Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Musick and son of Philadelphia are spending some time with Mrs. Aaron Musick.

Dixie Land carnival and fruit festival at the M. E. church Saturday evening, September 10. Come and bring your friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Steck and daughter spent Sunday with Mrs. A. Bergmann.

Elizabeth Weber, Frank Fuhrman and Wilson Undercoffer returned to West Chester Normal School on Monday.

Jacob Thomas, of Wayne, spent Labor Day with R. R. Thomas.

R. R. Thomas is spending several days in Wayne with his sons.

The supervisors are making preparations to place a coat of stone on the Germantown pike, between Evansburg and Perkiomen Bridge.

The paragraph in last week's notes with respect to School Directors was a general observation and had no special reference to any particular School Director.

OAKS.

The John Umstad Bible Class held an outing in Valley Forge park on Labor Day.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Brown returned from Goshen, N. J., Thursday, where Mr. Brown had been spending his vacation.

Bert Smith's boys, who were afflicted with typhoid fever, are getting along nicely.

In John U. Francis Jr.'s collection of views around Oaks on the Perkiomen the view from Mont View is one of the finest. It is a beautiful picture.

Saturday was one of those days, one of old probabilities fair days; the kind of fair days you wear rain coats, gum coats and boots, and if you don't get in out of the rain you will get wet. This too, is fair month, and perhaps the weatherman banks his conjectures on it be Fair month and wants every day fair. We were to have cooler weather for the last two weeks, and there has been a slight moderation; but the days are getting shorter, thickening up at both ends. The sun when it does shine, shines in the same old way—hot, quite hot.

Tickets to Atlantic City account of G. A. R. National Encampment, \$3.10 from Betzwood. Won't cost much more for board to stay at home; and \$3.35 from Oaks on the Pennsylvania.

Say, does a centipede use all its feet when it travels? Don't ask me; ask some one that knows.

A fiver on Grim, a tener on Tener, and good collateral on Berry, and few takers.

The Sonora Chief, anyone know anything about the chief? Well, he's a scapler; couldn't wait until they got baldhead, lifted their scalps for fear they would become that way. If we should believe all the stories we hear the Sonora Chief is a sonorous Mexican brigand.

Peaches, plums, pears, corn, wheat, oats and potatoes in abundance, and if anyone should turnout on Thanksgiving Day the farmer should, and give thanks.

Charles Hallman caught thirty-five sunfish in that many minutes in the Perkiomen, Wednesday last.

We hear Cutler of Valley Forge bought Loughlin's hotel property and all at Port Kennedy. So did we hear he bought the King-of-Prussia, but what we heard has not been confirmed.

About now are we to have that square deal? Can't have it until ignorance is routed in every community.

Suit yourself down to the occasion as a certain man used to say, and get back to first principles, for everything is settled. Georgia has been carried by Hoke Smith in 1912. Hoke Smith's uncle was a General in the Southern Army, and we have face his command on several occasions. Hoke Smith, when Pension Commissioner under Pres. Cleveland, made an endorsement on my pension certificate, which we greatly appreciate, as it was quite complimentary and should be run for President we'll vote for him. However, we do not expect to be here by that time, as we have lived the allotted age of man and it is for us

not to make any rash promises, so far in the future as least.

Dolph Keyser, William Rupert, Miss Tutts and Miss Lizzie Smith went to Norristown, Sunday.

George W. Brown Sr. and George W. Brown Jr. were visitors to Norristown, Saturday.

A lady, writing to my comrade Weikel's family from Chicago, says the Johnson name is away ahead of the Smith, Jones, etc., name in that city.

Sunday forenoon a mad dog put in an appearance at Port Kennedy, or that part of Port Kennedy near the Ehret Magnesia Works and right down under the hill from our hut in Valley Forge park. The mad dog bit several dogs which were shot, and there was a general discharge of firearms under the hill. The dog bit a man, a Hungarian, also. How much other damage the dog did before it was shot no one knows. If we ever had a serious dread of mad dogs, we entertain one now, as since my young friend, Win Jarrett, a splendid young man of Valley Forge, was the victim of a mad dog, and, as a bit of vengeance, we would like to see the many mangy curs put out of the way. If all the tax on dogs was collected it would swell the treasury of the county considerably. The animal was a black and tan dog, and no one knows where it came from; and was like the many small toads after a heavy shower, or like Mrs. Toodles, just dropped in, came from everywhere. It would be a seven-days wonder if this mad dog part of the county would pass one year without a mad dog scare, for there has been one every year out of the four we have been here.

The temperature Sunday was about summer heat. A cold wave from the middle west until after Teddy returns, and then it is expected there will be warm times in New York State.

Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson of Philadelphia were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Brown, Sunday.

The Coon Club of Oaks have a fine club house down on the Perkiomen on the Casselberry meadows. Edgar Parsons shot a very large crane along the Schuylkill the other day, which measured sixty-six inches from tip to tip of wings.

Mr. Leichthammer, of Norristown, supplies Mr. John U. Francis Jr., merchant at Oaks, with bread fresh from the ovens. There is a new baker in Port Kennedy whose name is Herrshaft. If there is anything in a name, then the bread they bake should be first-class. Leichthammer bakes pan-handle bread. There is pan-handle, mother's bread, butternut and Vienna bread, all baked from dough, we know; but of all bread give me the good old home-made bread, baked in an old-fashioned bake oven. But our letter is too long, or we'd tell you about a loaf of bread bought in Maryland in 1863. Must have been baked in a saw mill.

We were busily engaged raking the grass up we had mown on the border of the drive in Valley Forge park, Monday afternoon, Labor Day, without a thought of what was to come, when we heard many sonorous toots, and looking up, up drove John C. Dettra, proprietor of the flag factory, with his automobile, with a car loaded with buds and blossoms—well, pretty girls, members of the Bible Class of Green Tree, who were enjoying an outing at Fort Huntingdon, Valley Forge park. We have always contended that Oaks and vicinity was noted for pretty girls, and there was proof positive that we were correct in our opinion. One of the ladies, in behalf of the Bible Class, presented us a box filled with everything to tempt the appetite. It was a surprise to us, and we could only say thanks for their kind remembrance of the old man. It does a fellow good and makes the heart beat quicker to be remembered by friends. Mr. Dettra was directed wrong to get to our shack and went out of the way to get to us. But what's ten or twelve miles for an automobile? To Mr. Dettra, the ladies, to all the members of the Green Tree Bible Class, accept our heartfelt thanks, not alone for the eatables, but for kindly, friendly thoughtfulness and remembrance of us.

AN ANCIENT VESSEL.

In connection with the explorations which are being carried on in the old cemetery of the church of St. Seurin, at Bordeaux, a vessel of green glass, containing a quantity of lees, or incrustations, was found in a sarcophagus which appeared to date from the first century of the Christian era. The deposit has been analyzed and the results lead to the conclusion that the vessel originally contained wine, the evaporation of which has left traces of chromotanic matter or less covered with carbonate of lime, and which has also deposited very sharply defined and characteristic grains of cream of tartar.

PUBLIC SALE OF
FRESH COWS!

Will be sold at public sale on SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1910, at Perkinson Bridge hotel, 30 fresh cows direct from Centre county. Gentlemen, these cows have all the first-class cow qualities and have been plenty of time to select them and I think my judgment and yours, as to cows that will make good money, are well and favorably made. Come to the sale, make your selections and put in your bids. I propose to sell every one of them. Sale at 2 o'clock. Conditions by J. W. MITTERLING. L. H. Ingram, auct. A. T. Allebach, clerk.

PUBLIC SALE OF
TWO CARLOADS OF
FRESH COWS!

Will be sold at public sale on THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1910, at Beckman's hotel, Trappe, 2 carloads of fresh cows—one carload from Ohio and one carload from Lebanon county. Gentlemen, these cows are as good as those of my last lot, if not better. They have the size, shape, and breeding, and they will be sure money-makers for you. Don't miss this opportunity to purchase choice cows. Sale at 1:30, promptly, as the days are growing shorter. Conditions by JONAS P. FISHER. F. H. Peterman, Auctioneer. M. B. Linderman, Clerk.

PUBLIC SALE OF
OHIO COWS!

Will be sold at public sale on THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1910, at Beckman's hotel, Trappe, one carload of Ohio fresh cows, a few backward springers, and 3 stock bulls. Gentlemen, these cows are up to the mark in qualities. They are big milk and butter producers and will please you. Sale at 1:30. Conditions by JONAS P. FISHER. F. H. Peterman, Auctioneer. M. B. Linderman, Clerk.

PUBLIC SALE OF
FRESH COWS!

SPRINGERS! STOCK BULLS!
I will sell at public sale on the Sunnyside Stock Farm, Trappe, Pa., on MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1910, one carload of fresh cows and a few choice springers. Also two stock bulls, from Western Pennsylvania. You will find this a good load of cows for milk and butter production, and the kind that pays you to buy for your winter dairy. Do not miss this opportunity as cows are getting scarcer as the season advances. Sale at 1:30 p. m. Conditions at sale. J. M. HARTMAN, auct. David Kratz, auct. J. J. Hartman, clerk.

PUBLIC SALE OF
REAL ESTATE

AND PERSONAL PROPERTY!
Will be sold at public sale on FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1910, on the premises of Milton N. Barnard, in the borough of Collegeville, Pa., the following personal property: One 4 h. p. steam engine and boiler (on one base), two wheelbarrows, one extension ladder, shovels, picks and tools, including shovels, steam pump and fittings, grindstone, lanterns, iron pump, iron pulley, small refrigerator, porch chairs, bed-room suite, two Morris chairs, parlor suite, dining-room chairs, sideboard, kitchen table, oil stove, heater stove, 3 other stoves, 2 chamber sets, bed springs, feather bed, comforts, silk quilt, carpet, matting, linoleum, 5 small tables, parlor table, 6 ft. long; dining table, cupboard, wash, bench and tubs, wringer, lace curtains, screen doors, window screens, lap robe, lot of books, four clocks, pictures, lot of dishes and other articles not mentioned.
At the same time and place the real estate will be put up for sale, consisting of a two- and-a-half-story stone house, in first-class condition, having many conveniences; hot and cold water in the kitchen and gas plant on the premises. Stable and other out-buildings. Large lot with fruit and vegetable garden.
Conditions on the personal property, cash on removal of goods. Sale to begin at one o'clock p. m. GEO. W. YOST, Agent for Owners. L. H. Ingram, Auctioneer.

PUBLIC SALE OF
REAL ESTATE

AND PERSONAL PROPERTY!
The subscriber will sell at public sale on FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1910, on the premises on Main street in the borough of Collegeville, near Second avenue, a house and lot of ground fronting on said street 100 ft. The lot is 40x120 feet. The house is a substantially built frame house 17x30 feet, with L. attachment 14x14 feet. It has all two stories high and containing 8 rooms; porch front length of house; porch in rear closed; well of never-failing water under cover. The house is in excellent order. Carpenter shop; hen house. There is an abundance of grape vines and pear and cherry trees on the premises. Conditions made known on day of sale.
Also the following personal property: Black half-cloth parlor suit with spring bottoms, 4 chairs, one large rocker, one teacote, centre table with marble top, large mirror, mahogany centre table with solid mahogany folding leaf; cottage organ, good as new; mahogany sideboard, good as new; new writing desk with bookcase combined; small centre table, Grandfather's eight-day clock (over 14 years old, showing the date and change of moon), walnut case and a good timekeeper; another 8-day clock and a good timekeeper; oak extension table 8 feet long, new couch, oak washstand, closed bureau with mirror on top, towel rack, lounge, settee with cushion and case. Howe sewing machine, washstand, cedar chest, over 100 years old, leaf table of solid cherry wood, corner cupboard, 6 rocking chairs, dozen Windsor chairs, zinc, cooking range nearly new, coal oil stove with oven, farrier's boiler, 15 gal.; Princeton heater No. 22 with pipe and in good order, refrigerator, large cupboard, cellar benches, table, 62 yards rag carpet in 3 lots, 63 yards Ingrain carpet in 3 lots, 32 yards stair carpet in 3 lots, 6 yards linoleum, 2 yards wide, 22 1/2 yards Brussels carpet, good; bedsteads and bedding, 5 coal oil lamps, large lot of dishes, glassware, earthenware, lot of table knives and forks, pictures, cloth chest, 5 pairs of chairs, cherry cedar, corner scales and weights, double-barrel shotgun, lawn mower, meat grinder, grubber, saw, garden hose, cord of stove wood ready cut, carpenter bench, screen doors and window screens, lot of carpenter tools, augers, planes, etc.; post saddle, stamper and shovel, broom, axe, wood saw, 30 lb. beam, extension ladder in 3 sections, 35 feet; 12 ft. ladder, 2 step ladders, grindstone, and many other articles too numerous to mention. Sale at 1 o'clock, sharp. Conditions, cash. JONATHAN HOYER, L. H. Ingram, Auct. G. W. Yost, Clerk. A. T. Allebach, Receiving Clerk.

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SEED WHEAT FOR SALE.

250 bushels seed wheat of the old, prolific and reliable varieties—100 bushels Fultz Middletown, 150 bushels Harvest King. These varieties are well and favorably known by all wide-awake farmers who desire to raise such wheat as will pay for the labor and leave a profit. These varieties rarely fail with good seed and well cultivated ground to yield from 20 to 40 bushels per acre. \$1.25 per bushel, \$1.20 in lots of 10 bushels and over.
D. M. CASSELLBERRY, Lower Providence P. O., Pa. (Ebensburg), Pa.

WANTED—FARMS TO SELL.

I have buyers for well-located farms and country residences. If you have property of such description to sell you may find it to your advantage to promptly communicate with FRANK R. JACK, 9-8-2m. Schwenksville, Pa.

WANTED.

COSMOPOLITAN MAGAZINE requires the services of a representative in Collegeville and vicinity to look after subscription renewals and to extend circulation by special methods which have proved unusually successful. Salary and commission. Previous experience desirable but not essential. Whole time or spare time. Address with reference, H. C. CAMPBELL, Cosmopolitan Magazine, 1789 Broadway, New York City.

FERTILIZERS FOR SALE.

I am selling the Keystone Bone Phosphate, one of the best fertilizers on the market. Users of this phosphate will be well satisfied with results in increased crops. Call on or address JOHN G. DETWILER, 7-14-3m. York, Pa.

FOR SALE.

A cheap, second-hand 2 1/2 h. p. gasoline engine and second-hand E. P. gasoline engine. G. F. CLAMER, 8-4. Collegeville, Pa.

FOR SALE.

Twenty-five Chester White Shoats. Apply to FREDERICK C. MILLER, 8-25. Near Trappe.

FOR SALE.

A buggy with basket body and rubber tires, in excellent order. Also a first-class road cart with rubber tires. Both will be sold cheap for want of further use. Apply to W. D. RENNINGER, 9-8. Collegeville, Pa.

ESTATE NOTICE.

Estate of Catharine Famous, late of the township of Worcester, Montgomery county, deceased. Letters of administration on the above estate having been granted the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having legal claims to present the same without delay to LEWIS W. FAMOUS, Administrator, 8-11. R. D. I., Phoenixville, Pa.

REPORT

ON THE CONDITION OF THE COLLEGEVILLE NATIONAL BANK, AT COLLEGEVILLE, IN THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, SEPTEMBER 1, 1910.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$189,428.56
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	29.65
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	50,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	900.00
Bonds, Securities, etc.	90,493.85
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	8,860.50
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	1,840.30
Due from approved reserve agents	23,399.38
Checks and other cash items	4.00
Notes of other National Banks	965.00
Fractional paper currency, nickel and cents	122.80
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:	
Specie	\$12,580.00
Legal-tender notes	20.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)	2,300.00
Total	\$332,253.53

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$50,000.00
Surplus fund	10,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	3,374.28
National Bank notes outstanding	48,750.00
Due to other National Banks	1,104.82
Due to Trust Companies and Savings Banks	2,952.69
Individual deposits subject to check	212,962.04
Demand certificates of deposit	2,800.00
Cashier's checks outstanding	39.70
Total	\$332,253.53

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY.

I, W. D. Renninger, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. D. RENNINGER, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of September, 1910.

HARRIET E. VANDERSLICE, Notary Public.
Commission expires at end of next session of the Senate.

Correct attest: C. S. KLINE, B. F. STEINER, A. D. FETTEROLF, Directors.

Two Days' Race Meet!

PENN SQUARE TRACK

NORRISTOWN, PA.

Thursday, September 15

— AND —

Saturday, September 17

\$1200 IN PURSES.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

COUNTY TAXES.

In pursuance to an act of Assembly approved March 17, 1889, supplementary to the act of the Treasurer of Montgomery County will meet the Taxpayers of said County at the following named places at 1 o'clock in the afternoon of the year 1910, assessed in their respective districts, viz:

Taxes will be received at the County Treasurer's Office, Norristown, from June 1 to September 15, from 8:30 a. m. to 12 m., and from 1 to 3 p. m.

State Rate, 4 mills.
County Rate, 3 mills.

Correspondence to receive attention must be accompanied with postage for reply and in all cases location of property, whether in Township or Borough, must be definitely given.

Inquiries relative to taxes received after September 10 will not be answered. Statements will be issued from the office only. Unless above instructions are complied with no attention will be given.

Taxes not paid to the County Treasurer on or before September 15, 1910, at 4 o'clock p. m., will be given into the hands of a collector, when 5 per cent. will be added for collection as per Act of Assembly.

WM. M. HAGGINSBOTHAM, Treasurer of Montgomery County, Pa. County Treasurer's Office, Norristown, Pa. April 22, 1910.

PEACHES!

ORCHARD FARM.

Our crop of fine peaches is now on.

POPULAR PRICES!

Come to the orchard and get your supply for winter canning and preserving. We have fruit to suit everybody and there is no better grown.

Orchard is located one mile back from Trappe Post Office, on road towards Royersford.

ORCHARD FARM, Wright & Smith, Prop'rs.

A SINGULAR MARRIAGE CUSTOM.

The Kurds have a very curious and somewhat dangerous marriage custom, which one would think would be more honored in the breach than in the observance. The husband, surrounded by a bodyguard of twenty or thirty young men, carries his wife home on his back in a scarlet cloth and is desperately assaulted the whole way by a number of girls. Sticks and stones are hurled at the bridegroom who in the coming home with his bride can hardly be considered a very happy man for the irate amazons often inflict on him marks which he carries to the grave. It may be that among the lady pursuers are some of the bridegroom's former "flames," who turn the mock attack into downright earnest to avenge slighted love.

A FAMILIAR WARNING.

Mrs. Jones' favorite warning to her young progeny when they were in mischief was that she would tend to them in a minute. "Tending" was accomplished by applying her open hand where it would do the most good. When Harry was four years old he was sent for the first time round the corner to the grocery. In a few minutes he came trotting soberly back with the nickel still in his hand, but no bag of onions.

"What's the matter?" asked mother.

"I'm 'fraid of the man," he said solemnly.

"Oh, he won't hurt you," reassured Mrs. Jones. "Run along and bring the onions. I'm in a hurry for them."

A second time Harry disappeared round the corner, and a second time returned without the purchase.

"I'm 'fraid of the grocer man," he explained as before.

"Well, what makes you afraid of him?" demanded his mother, impatiently.

"Why," answered the little fellow, "bofe times when I goed in, he looked at me, an' said, 'I'll tend to you in a minute!'"

MODEL FARM VILLAGES.

In the newly irrigated regions of the West the government is laying out model farm villages, and the experiment has novel features which make it an interesting study. Intensive methods and the certainty of water make possible large crops on a small area, and the plan is to have the farmers and their families centralized in small communities within easy access of their outlying farms.

In the Sun River valley, Montana, for instance, twenty towns are now being laid out six miles apart, so that no farmer, even if he lives in the most remote corner of his farm, is more than three miles from the school, church, stores and offices of the village. Moreover, the towns are connected by trolley-lines, the power being supplied by the irrigation canals which furnish water and power for the farms.

There is a similar arrangement in southern Idaho, where thousands of people have found homes and have prospered in a region which was absolutely desolate and uninhabited a few years ago.

This plan eliminates the loneliness and many disadvantages of farm life, where the homes are far apart and many miles from a city or village. Of course it is possible only in a new country, where the town is arbitrarily located and made to order, and not the result of natural conditions and slow development.

The older farming communities of the country will watch with interest the government program in this matter, for in it they will find hints for the solution of their own problems—problems toward the happy settlement of which long steps have been taken within the past generation.—Youth's Companion.

Crank Calls Roosevelt a Liar.

A rough, dirty looking man, wearing a battered derby hat, and with a two days' growth of beard on his face, jammed his way through the crowd at Island park, at Fargo, N. D., where Mr. Roosevelt spoke, and demanded an audience.

It was just at the conclusion of the colonel's speech to the laboring men of the west. On the platform from which Mr. Roosevelt had spoken were fully 1500 persons. They didn't know what it all meant.

"I've a question to ask," he yelled, as he pressed closer to the colonel. "I want to speak to you." Mr. Roosevelt, thinking that the stranger was a laboring man who wished to make himself clear on some point in the address, asked him what he wanted.

"Who is paying for this trip of yours?" the stranger cried.

"Who's paying for it?"

The colonel was very angry then, and he glared fiercely.

"That is a very impertinent question," replied Mr. Roosevelt. "I don't mind telling you, however, that the Outlook Magazine, with which I am connected, is paying for it."

The rough intruder stepped closer to Mr. Roosevelt, while the crowd stood and gasped. There were no policemen near.

"It's a lie; I tell you a lie," the man shouted. "The nation is paying for it. The country is doing it."

The colonel saw in a flash that the man was a socialist and probably a demented socialist. He rushed towards him, grabbed the man's right arm and jerked it upwards, wrenching it as he did so. He pushed the intruder back from him in no gentle manner and continued to push him so that the man had dropped to the ground. The man disappeared in the crush before an officer hove in sight.

Murderers Drop Loot to Escape.

The bandits who murdered young Denton Fowler, assistant treasurer of the Atlas Building Material company, at Hudson, N. Y., and his negro driver, George Ragsdale, fled through the woods in such haste that they dropped the treasurer's suitcase containing \$5600 in gold, silver and bills.

Police Chief James J. Lane and Superintendent Jerry Leonard, of the Atlas brickyards, stumbled upon the cash bag while they were beating up the thickets with a party of armed men.

Lane and Leonard found not only the money that Dent Fowler had been hurrying with to the Atlas brickmakers, but within a few steps of where Mr. Fowler and the plucky negro had been shot to death they came upon the weapons the robbers had used in the killing, a Winchester repeating rifle, a shotgun and two revolvers. Searching on their hands and knees through the wet bush, they found two caps, such as Italian laborers commonly wear in this part of the country; two red bandanna handkerchiefs which had been pierced with eyeholes and used for masks; the scattered fragments of an envelope and the letter the envelope had contained, and the scrap strewn spot, a tiny clearing surrounded by almost impenetrable thickets of thornbush where the robbers had made camp while they waited for young Fowler's buggy.

Fowler and his negro driver were shot dead and robbed by masked men while on their way to pay off the men.

Kills Wife as Child Looks On.

With his eight-year-old daughter pulling and begging him not to kill her mother, George D. Deiry, a morocco worker, aged forty years, killed his wife almost instantly at their home, 622 West Second street, Wilmington, Del., by almost severing her head with a razor.

Elizabeth, the little daughter, witnessed the tragedy, and when her father turned and allowed his wife's form to fall to the floor, she ran frantically from the room and down to the lower rooms, where she screamed for help.

After leaving the house immediately after the tragedy, Deiry lighted a cigar with the utmost unconcern, but when he got to the street the news of the affair had reached some of the neighbors he had to flee. He ran into the drug store of Mayor J. Harvey Spruance, at Second and Monroe streets, where he was arrested by a policeman.

Mrs. Deiry was dressing in her bedroom when her husband entered. Little Elizabeth had been assisting her and they paid no attention to Deiry when he entered. A quarrel that had been renewed between the husband and wife only a few minutes before was barely mentioned, when Deiry stepped up behind his wife as she stood before a mirror, pulled her head back by grasping her by the hair and pulled the razor once across the left side of her neck.

James R. Keene III.

James R. Keene, the noted New York financier and horseman, was taken seriously ill with pneumonia at the Phoenix hotel, in Lexington, Ky.

Physicians were summoned, and his brother-in-law, Major F. A. Daingerfield, hurried over to the scene in an automobile from his country estate at Casteleton, near Lexington.

Mr. Keene arrived here from New York, accompanied only by his valet. After an examination the physicians announced Mr. Keene's condition to be serious. His relatives in the east have been telegraphed and are hurrying to his bedside.

Woman Mob's Victim.

Dangling from a trestle just outside Graceville, Fla., were found the bodies of Ed Christian, colored, charged with shooting Deputy Sheriff Allen Burns and Hattie Bowman, also colored. She had been arrested on the charge of being implicated in the crime.

A PUZZLING PINE.

Peculiar Tree That Is Something of a Mystery to Botanists.

Upper California is the home of a tree that has puzzled botanists. It is a pine which will grow only near the seacoast. Its growth is slow, and it does not attain to great size.

The strange thing about it is that there are, to all appearances, insurmountable difficulties in the way of the perpetuation of the species. Some specimens of it exist in Kew gardens, in London. They have been carefully examined by competent authorities, and all admit that the tree presents a problem unlike anything elsewhere met with.

This pine produces at regular intervals the usual cones containing seeds; but, strange to say, the cones are so thoroughly protected that the seeds cannot be released. The cones are hard and tightly closed and have strong overlapping scales.

More extraordinary still is the fact that the pine, after producing its almost invulnerable cones, keeps them hanging on its branches year after year. Unless through some peculiar accident the seeds would apparently remain attached to the parent tree forever. Many of the cones on the trees in Kew gardens have been there for years, as is shown by the size of the branches and the formation of the bark.

It has been found that the seed vessels which this tree so powerfully retains are so well protected that it requires a strong knife with the assistance of a heavy hammer to cut the cone into sections. No ordinary conditions of temperature can make a cone open.

The following is the only explanation yet offered that seems to have any degree of plausibility: The species may be perpetuated by fire. One who has studied the tree asserts that nothing but the intense heat of a forest fire could compel the cones to release their seeds. It has been found that under the influence of intense heat they crack open and the seeds fall out uninjured.—Harper's Weekly.

TURKISH RED TAPE.

Getting the Kinks Out of a Custom House Tangle.

In the far east rules and restrictions may be made to yield to influence with a latent force behind it, as instanced by this serio-comic incident found in Captain A. B. Townsend's book, "A Military Consul in Turkey." A certain highly influential foreigner at Adrianople wanted a Christmas tree and ordered one from Sofia to come by train, but when the tree, an unpretentious little fir about ten feet high, arrived at Adrianople station some one discovered that it was illegal to receive "plants" from abroad.

"Yasak" it is forbidden, said the custom house.

"Yasak," echoed the sentry on duty. The foreigner said whatever was the equivalent to "rubbish" and demanded the tree.

Here was a nice quandary for the authorities. Evidently it was a most fearful thing to receive a tree from abroad, and yet the consignor was capable of getting some one into very serious trouble if he did not get his tree, and he said he must have it within forty-eight hours.

Some one at the custom house soared above the difficulty. The tree was sent on to Stamboul on the Orient express, an eight hours' journey. It came back to Adrianople by the next train, and the person for whom it was intended received a notice that "a tree from Constantinople" had arrived for him and would at once be handed over to his messenger.

So the wretched little Bulgarian tree had become a Turkish one, brought from Constantinople, and by that means it satisfied officialdom and served its purpose in the end.

Gladiators.

The gladiators were originally male-factors who fought for their lives or captives who fought for freedom. They were first exhibited at the funeral ceremonies of the Romans, 263 B. C., and afterward at festivals about 215 B. C. When Dacia was reduced by Trojan 1,000 gladiators fought at Rome for 123 days in celebration of his triumph. It is said that in the triumphs of Pompey the Great 10,000 fought through a series of many days. These combats were suppressed in the east by the Emperor Constantine about A. D. 325 and in the west by Theodoric in A. D. 500.—New York American.

Her Protection.

"Why don't you marry, too?" he asked her, apropos of the marriage of her friend.

"I can't," she answered, "without committing bigamy. I haven't my divorce yet, you know. It's probably a good thing, a great protection. I might have married some good for nothing again if I had had it. I am so unfortunate in my selections."

"True," he said. "You might have married me."—New York Press.

Works Like a Charm.

Hanson—Wonder how it is that the Jugginsons get along so harmoniously. They never have any quarrels, apparently. Burt—The reason is simple enough. Juggins always lets Mrs. J. have the last word, and she never tries to prevent him from having his own way.—Boston Transcript.

Chance For Heroism.

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THE election in Vermont, Tuesday, resulted in a largely decreased Republican majority.

SINCE the outbreak of the epidemic in Russia this year 133,601 cases of cholera, with 64,405 deaths, have been officially reported. The scourge appears to be decreasing in virulence.

FROM the Haverhill Gazette: Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis described Mr. Roosevelt as "the only man on earth who can throw double sixes every time." While we do not understand these ecclesiastical references, the remark sounds good.

FROM the Louisville Courier-Journal: Bishop Fallows says that hope is the best remedy for the blues. That recalls the fact that an Irishman said the best way to cure insomnia is to go to sleep and forget all about it.

"We do not recognize the revision of the tariff of 1908 as a satisfactory fulfillment of the party's pledge," say the Republicans of Kansas in their platform recently adopted at Topeka. What have the Republicans of the Eighth Congressional district to say?

JUDGING from accounts the first experiment with direct primary elections in Maryland has not been a lurid success. Of the 33,490 registered Republicans in that city only 7887 performed their duty by going to the polls. Comment would appear superfluous.

THERE are more Indians in New York State than in any other Eastern State. The Cayugas, one of the most populous of the remaining tribes, are not very prosperous and the Bureau of Indian Affairs of the National Government and the Land Office Commissioners are considering what can be done to improve their condition.

THE total appropriations for the army, navy, fortifications and military academy for the year 1910 were \$248,832,714.72, an increase of more than 400 per cent. over 1897. If this rate of increase is maintained for a few years more, the people of the United States will find time to do a little more thinking than they have been doing in the past.

THE population of Philadelphia, which still retains its position as the third city in the United States, has a population of 1,549,008, according to official figures of the 1910 census issued at Washington, Saturday, an increase of 255,311 during the past decade. New York is first in the list with 4,766,883, and there is reason to believe that Chicago's substantial lead in second place in 1900 will be reduced by the census of the present year.

THE receipts at the State Treasury during the month of August exceeded \$2,700,000, the largest of any month in almost a year, the gain being due to large payments of corporation taxes. The receipts of the general fund were \$2,721,126.01, and of the sinking fund, \$412.57. The expenditures were \$3,045,386.34 from the general fund and \$62,851.01 from the sinking fund, the semi-annual interest being paid. At the end of the month there was a balance of \$7,854,832.55 in the general fund and \$2,442,339.69 in the sinking fund.

THE INDEPENDENT unreservedly and heartily subscribes to the following excerpts from Theodore Roosevelt's platform of progress: "Our governments, national and state, must be freed from the sinister influence of special interests. We must drive the special interests out of politics. Every special interest is entitled to justice, but not one is entitled to a vote in Congress. . . . Officers and directors should be held personally responsible when any corporation breaks the law. . . . I believe in a graduated income tax and a graduated inheritance tax. . . . The natural resources must be used for the benefit of all our people and not monopolized for the benefit of the few. . . . There must remain no neutral ground as a refuge for law-breakers, and especially for law-breakers of great wealth." Mr. Roosevelt is on the right track as to quite a number of important public questions. Much that he has been saying of late has been enunciated, without observable effect, many times, by others who have preceded him in our national life. If Mr. Roosevelt can per-

suaude his fellow countrymen to think as well as listen; to meditate as well as yell when he speaks, he will accomplish a great work.

In a dispatch to the New York Herald from Bar Harbor Rear Admiral D. Evans, who has been in the sea ports of many countries, says: "I have had more trouble with my sailors getting drunk in the ports of Maine than at any other ports in the world. I have gone ashore with a boatload of men in Portland, and when they returned to the boat in a surprisingly short time they, my own sailors, did not know me." The Admiral says further: "I do not believe in a prohibitory liquor law unenforced, and I have never yet seen it enforced in Maine. All of which supports what has frequently been noted in the INDEPENDENT, to wit: No law in advance of public sentiment and private conduct can be successfully enforced. All laws of such character increase the number of law breakers and encourage disrespect for law. A law based upon the natural principles of justice and morality, and enforced, is the true measure of the civilization of any State or community.

PRESIDENT TAFT's speech before the Conservation Congress at St. Paul, Monday, was clever, full of common sense, and revealed the President in the most argumentative and compelling attitude, as a jurist and statesman, he has ever manifested since taking up the duties of his office. His suggestions for the disposition and treatment of government lands and the development of natural resources, under wise restrictions, are clear, far-reaching, and altogether practical, with a clear distinction between State and Federal rights. He declared "that the only safe course to pursue was to hold fast to the limitations of the Constitution and to regard as sacred the power of the States." That's a bed-rock statement and a complete answer to the "new nationalism" and the centralization of Federal power. But the most significant part of his whole address follows: "I beg of you, therefore, in your deliberations and in your informal discussions, when men come forward to suggest evils that the promotion of conservation is to remedy, that you invite them to point out the specific evils and the specific remedies; that you invite them to come down to details in order that their discussions may flow into channels that shall be useful rather than periods that shall be eloquent and entertaining, without shedding real light on the subject." The foregoing stands out in bold relief as a perfect gem, in comparison with gushing platitudes and generalized condemnations.

NORRISTOWN LETTER.

NORRISTOWN, PA., Sept. 6, 1910.

The 90 day tax grace accruing to the taxpayers of the 5 per cent. abatement comes as an unpleasant surprise to numerous districts; those communities, where either the school board or municipality has been living up to the last dollar or over each fiscal year, the 30 day extension of time under the new law is not well received by reason of the fear that it will be that much longer before the customary prompt taxpayers will liquidate their accounts, and thus keep council, school board, or supervisors from paying over-due accounts or floating notes. In the poorly managed districts where monies are spent before the taxes are realized, the new law will in effect mean so much more interest to be paid on floating notes or orders. Thus the taxpayer is the loser in the end.

The strenuous efforts made the past week by the "ring" which has been dominating affairs in both the school board and town council of Norristown, to overcome the opposition to the now defeated Carnegie library project for the county seat, had a deeper rooted purpose than the mere library question. The "brother bosses" fear the rapidly rising power of Lewis Newbold McCarter, the man of the hour in the library fight. Such a progressive, keen-eyed, defiant and unyielding idol of the people will be even far more dangerous to the gang's games at the head of the municipality than as a school director. McCarter, once in the burgess' chair, would be able to give even Mayor Gaynor a few pointers as how to clean out the leeches now swarming in and out of City Hall.

Much significance is attached to the heated controversy which took place last week in the Recorder's office in the Court House between the present keeper of the government's "mausoleum" and the accredited aspirant for the position. In view of the fact that those within hearing of the discussion heard the appointee's partner trying to tell the incumbent how to run the mail service, tongues have been wagging as to the ultimate hearing the affair will have when the "beau-brummel" is to get his throw down, so much rumored, in order to provide an opportunity to place the law partner in a berth ere the opportunity passes by forever.

That the average preacher or elder are the poorest men for executive positions is being given emphasis by conditions prevalent in what is known as the Church Baseball League of Norristown, composed of teams of young men chosen from the various churches about the county seat. The League has been having a strenuous time, despite the fact that, with one or two exceptions, each team is under the personal protection of the pastor of the church to which the team is accredited. Bickerings, strife, violent threats, repulsive language, and gross misbehavior have been the conduct of the youths at the games. The effect has been to the great discredit of the young men, the teams and the league, as well as permitting the cultivation of habits that are doing the youths of Norristown tenfold and more harm, while adding not a point to their manly development, as sought after. Fair play, clean sport, good fellowship and physical culture are being woefully destroyed in the unsportsmanlike conduct of players and managers, wrecking the minister's power for good and wiping out what influence the church leader may have possessed. A fine opportunity for good is being overlooked.

OBSERVER.

POISON IN BODY OF MRS. CRIPPEN

Trial of Alleged American Wife Murderer Opens in London.

GIRL HELD AS ACCESSORY

Prosecution Announces That Poison More Than Sufficient to Kill Had Been Found in Body.

Dr. Hawley Harvey Crippen as the principal, and Ethel Clara Leneve as an accessory after the fact, were placed on trial in London, Eng., for the murder of the former's wife, Cora Belle Crippen, known on the stage as Belle Elmore.

The Bow street police court held a curious, fascinated crowd, including a few smartly dressed women and some Americans.

Mr. Humphreys, for the crown, set forth that Crippen and his wife were unhappily married, and that her death was of monetary advantage to him in addition to the fact that his relations with his typist were such that Miss Leneve was unpleasantly jealous of the wife. The death of Mrs. Crippen would relieve the situation from the standpoint of the man who loved one woman and was tied up to another.

Crippen needed money and pawned jewelry, later identified as the property of his wife. When his wife disappeared he made an explanation that he later admitted was untrue.

The prosecutor told of the admitted quarrel between the Crippens, the elopement of Crippen and Miss Leneve, and the finding of the body alleged to be that of the doctor's wife in the cellar of the Crippen home.

Mr. Humphreys announced for the first time that poison more than sufficient to kill had been found in the body, which also showed traces of an operation.

Girl Only Accessory. Mr. Humphreys said that the crown had decided to change the charge against Miss Leneve from that of a principal to that of an accessory after the fact. In conclusion he stated that he questioned whether the girl could have believed the extraordinary story told her by Crippen in explanation of his wife's disappearance.

At the conclusion of the prosecutor's address a few witnesses were called for the crown. In cross-examining these Solicitor Newton confined himself to a few questions designed to show that Crippen was amiable and kind-hearted and seemed to be on the best of terms with his wife.

An application to admit the prisoners to bail was refused and an adjournment was taken until Thursday.

Popular feeling toward Crippen continues bitter because of the hideous character of the crime with which he is charged, but there is apparent an undercurrent of sympathy for the accused girl.

Crippen seems not to have suffered physically from his confinement. He is nervous, but he has always been of a rather nervous temperament, and if his air of almost indifference is assumed, he plays the part well.

Miss Leneve had better control of herself than she had when she arrived in London. At that time she appeared on the verge of nervous collapse. It is said that it had been intimated to her before the trial opened that the original charge of being a co-principal in the murder would be dropped and that she would be held responsible only for what knowledge of guilt she acquired subsequent to the commission of the crime.

This is said to have had a good effect upon the girl, which, it is hinted, was the end sought by the prosecution, who at the proper time intends to use his companion as a witness against Crippen.

ABRUZZI WINS RICH PRIZE

Gets \$18,000 on Lottery Ticket Bought of Beggar.

The Duke of the Abruzzi has had a stroke of good luck, due directly to an act of generosity. Attracted by a little girl begging in the street in Rome, and desirous of helping her, the duke purchased from her a lottery ticket, which has drawn a prize of \$18,000. The duke announced that he would give the money to the girl.

Child Smothers in Bed.

Wrapping the bed clothing about his face and head while restlessly moving about in his crib, Douglas Ambler, the one-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Ambler, Jr., of Abington, Pa., near Philadelphia, was smothered to death.

Mother and Three Daughters Drowned.

While returning from a picnic in a rowboat, Mrs. W. J. Deimal and her three young daughters, of Cincinnati, were drowned in the Licking river. Their rowboat ran into a submerged log and upset.

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Colonel Comes Out Against Those Who Favor State Jurisdiction Over Water Power Sites and Aligns Himself With Pinchot.

Mr. Roosevelt visited another state capital. He came into Minnesota with the cheers of the west still ringing in his ears. He was received by thousands of men and women, who were wild in their enthusiasm.

It was the grandest reception that the colonel has yet encountered on his tour, and no one realized it better than he.

The colonel talked conservation in St. Paul, and he took occasion to endorse part of President Taft's address, but he was careful his praise did not go far. His position in regard to the control of natural resources was made unmistakably clear, for he hammered away at that phase of the new nationalism that insists that federal control shall be stronger than state control.

When he did refer to Mr. Taft and the reference was a compliment, delegates and the thousands in the galleries cheered. The reference was an interpolation in the former president's set speech. It was:

"Much that I have to say on the subject of conservation will be but a repetition of what was so admirably said from this platform Monday."

Again he said: "All friends of conservation should be in heartiest agreement with the policy which the president laid down in connection with the coal, oil and phosphate lands, and I am glad to be able to say that at its last session congress finally completed the work of separating the surface title to the land from the mineral beneath it."

Strong For National Control. The question of federal or state control of water power sites is the one before the congress that has given rise to the most animosity. The president avoided committing himself on this point, leaving it for congress to decide. The colonel declared himself vigorously for federal control. In this connection he said:

"There is apparent to the judicious observer a distinct tendency on the part of our opponents to cloud the issue by raising the question of state as against federal jurisdiction. We are ready to meet that issue if it is forced upon us. But there is no hope for the plain people in such conflicts of jurisdiction."

"The essential question is not one of hair-splitting legal technicalities. It is simply this: Who can best regulate the special interests for the public good? Most of the predatory corporations are interstate of have interstate affiliations. Therefore they are largely out of reach in effective state control, and fall of necessity within the federal jurisdiction. The most effective weapon against these great corporations, most of which are financed and owned on the Atlantic coast, will be federal laws and the federal executive. That is why I so strongly oppose the demand to turn these matters over to the states."

In a number of other parts of his speech Colonel Roosevelt showed that his attitude was for strong national control. He made a strong plea for the development and regulation of all the waterways and urged specifically that these be guarded from the "interests" and that the railroads be prevented from controlling them in the future as they have in the past.

Here the president injected extemporaneously: "There are classes of bulk freight which can always go cheaper and better by water if there is an adequate waterway, and the existence of such type of waterway in itself helps to regulate railroad rates."

He declared that any railroad connection with water lines should be under the "strictest regulation of the interstate commerce commission." He also asserted that the necessity of federal control of the forests had been proved and urged the formation of a federal bureau of health, declaring the financial waste to the nation in sickness and preventable deaths to be appalling.

Raps Congressman Tawney. The former president took a little shot at Congressman James A. Tawney, of Minnesota. It was ostensibly to combat the renomination of Mr. Tawney that Gifford Pinchot absented himself Monday when President Taft was here.

When Colonel Roosevelt came to that part of his speech referring to the national conservation commission, he told of the introduction into the house of representatives by a congressman from Minnesota of an amendment to the civil service bill, which, he said, was designed to put an end to the work of the commission. His recital threw the crowd into an uproar. A man in the balcony shouted: "Now what do you think of Tawney?"

The colonel went on to say that the subject came up just at the close of his term in the White House. If he had remained president, he said, he would have paid no attention to this provision of law, because he believed it to

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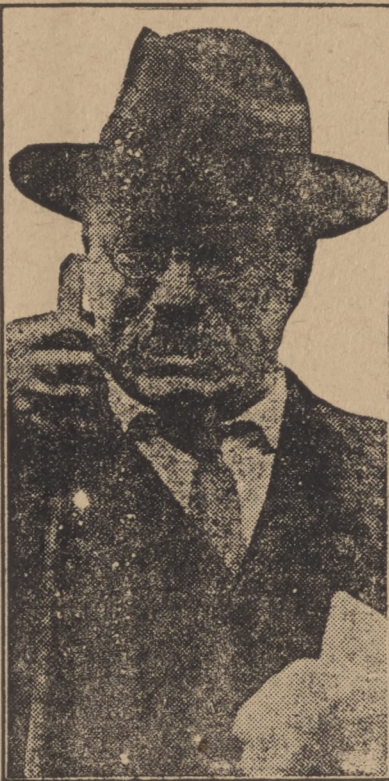
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be unconstitutional. This declaration was applauded loudly.

Nearly 100,000 Greet T. R.

The conservation congress, while it was a big affair, didn't compare with the tremendous crowd that Mr. Roosevelt faced at the Minnesota state fair grounds. A gathering estimated at between 95,000 and 100,000 persons jammed themselves into the enclosure and most of them heard the colonel make a long speech. The management declared that Roosevelt drew the largest crowd of persons that ever this state heard of.

In the hotel lobbies and on the streets one hears arguments as to who drew the greater crowds, Roosevelt or Taft. The consensus of opinion very strongly favors Roosevelt. It was a respectable, cordial reception that Mr. Taft got. Roosevelt got the whoops and the shouts.

TWO NEGROES LYNCHED IN GEORGIA

One Shot and Two Escaped After Planning Murder.

Telephone messages that were received at Athens, Ga., from Carlton, Ga., where five colored men were reported to have been killed after attempting to attack the daughter of Robert Huff, a planter, and rob and murder the other members of the Huff family, indicate that two of the accused men are still at liberty.

Cliff Bolton, one of them, resisted arrest when captured by Marshal Johnson, it is stated, and was probably fatally shot.

Two others are reported to have been captured by posses and summarily dealt with, while the remaining two made their escape.

Mr. Huff's daughter, according to reports, aroused her father, who detained the intruders until neighbors could be summoned by telephone. It is said one colored man confessed that he and four others planned to rob the house, attack the women, kill the occupants and then burn the dwelling.

PROGRESSIVE LANDSLIDE

Regular Republicans Meet Crushing Defeat in New Hampshire.

The first direct primary election in New Hampshire has resulted in a tremendous landslide for the insurgent Republicans. State Senator Robert P. Bass, of Peterboro, was nominated for governor by a vote of more than two to one, over the candidate of the regulars, Hon. Bertram Ellis, of Keene.

The indications are that Bass has carried every county in the state, and but a small percentage of the towns and cities have returned a majority for Ellis.

A feature of the primary in Concord was the complete rout of Senator Jacob H. Gallinger in his home ward. The ward went for Bass, as did the entire city. Senator Gallinger was a candidate for delegate to the state convention and was overwhelmingly defeated.

The Democrats have nominated Clarence E. Carr, of Andover, for governor.

LAFOLLETTE WINS

Renominated For United States Senate at Wisconsin Primaries.

Senator LaFollette is the victor over the Taft Republican candidate in the primaries in Wisconsin for United States senator by a vote of at least two to one.

The two candidates for governor, who opposed county option, are running a close race for the nomination for governor, with W. M. Lewis, LaFollette's follower, for county option, is running far in the rear, a bad third.

PRESIDENT ON CONSERVATION

Says Too Much is Expected of Federal Government.

FAVORS STATE RIGHTS

Mr. Taft, Before National Congress, Declares For Liberal Interpretation of Constitution of Federal Powers, But Insists Rights of States Must Be Preserved.

Monday was William H. Taft's day in St. Paul, Minn. Ten thousand people who heard him speak at the Auditorium yelled; 25,000 more at the state fair grounds gave their approval by cheers and the waving of flags, and scores of thousands of others lined the pavements of the streets over which Mr. Taft whirled, declared it, too, in no uncertain fashion.

In the hotel lobbies where the politicians congregate the verdict was: "He made a great speech at the conservation congress." Some went so far as to say that it was the best speech, the most comprehensive, the most "straight from the shoulder" talk that he has ever made.

The president asserted that there was a disposition to look too much to the federal government for everything and added with emphasis that caused a profound impression:

"I am liberal in the construction of the constitution with reference to federal power, but I am firmly convinced that the only safe course for us to pursue is to hold fast to the limitations of the constitution and to guard as sacred the powers of the states."

He insisted that the time for rhapsodies had passed; that those who urge conservation must "feel the necessity of making clear how conservation can be practically carried out" and must propose "specific methods and legal provisions."

"Guard States' Rights."

Again as touching on the real controversy that is likely to break out into a bitter fight later in the week—state control of resources versus national control—the president said: "I call attention to the fact that a very important part of conservation must always fall upon the state legislatures, and that they would better be up and doing."

But when it came to the specific subject on which this controversy turns at present he took neither side. This came out in his discussion of water power sites. The president set forth the arguments made for state control of the power sites and the arguments for federal control, and then added:

"I do not express an opinion upon the controversy thus made or a preference as to the two methods of treating water power sites. I shall submit the matter to congress and urge that one or the other of the two plans be adopted."

References to former President Roosevelt were eagerly looked for and carefully weighed by the 2000 delegates sitting in the congress.

Praises Roosevelt Policies.

Of the inception of the conservation work he said:

"Theodore Roosevelt took up this task in the last two years of his second administration, and well did he perform it. As president of the United States, I have, as it were, inherited this policy, and I rejoice in my heritage. What I can do in the cause I shall do, not as president of a party, but as president of the whole people."

Again he said: "When President Roosevelt became fully advised of the necessity for the change in our disposition of public lands he began the exercise of the power of withdrawal by executive order. The precedent he set in this matter was followed by the present administration."

Mr. Taft pointed out that he had obtained from congress at its last session an act specifically to legalize such withdrawals.

Mr. Taft emphasized the fact that real conservation involves wise, non-wasteful use by the present generation. He said the problem was difficult but that "the burden is on the present generation promptly to solve it and not to run away from it as cowards lest in the attempt to meet it we may make some mistake."

Plunges From 26-Story Building.

Crowds on Park Row, in New York, stopped, horrified at the sight of a man's body hurtling through the air from the roof of the twenty-six-story Park Row building.

The body crashed into the skylight of the six-story building adjoining and became jammed in the machinery of the elevator. It was hardly recognizable.

At first it was supposed the man, who was identified by papers on his body as Edgar H. Holbrook, an insurance solicitor and collector, of 290 Broadway, had chosen a sensational method of committing suicide. At the office of an insurance company at 290 Broadway, C. Pritchard and Wilbur Morris, business associates of Holbrook, said they knew of no reason why Holbrook, who formerly lived in Philadelphia, should commit suicide.

Two painters working high up on the north side of the building saw the

man kicking and waving his arms, as if making futile efforts to save himself. He swept down, his straw hat sailing after him. Where the man came from, how it happened that he was flying through the air, are things that have not yet been explained. The painters saw him first in the air above them. So far as they knew he might have been dropped from a passing airship.

Gunner Kills Man in Boat With Him.

Norman Fleeson, twenty-three years old, of Philadelphia, was accidentally shot and killed by one of two companions while hunting reed birds in a boat on the Pennypack creek, near Holmesburg.

The fatal shot was fired by William Campbell. The third man in the boat was Charles Schaeffer. Campbell and Schaeffer were almost in a state of collapse when they gave themselves up to the police at the Tacony station.

They said that Fleeson was sitting, gun in hand, in the bow of the skiff. Campbell and Schaeffer were in the stern, the latter poling. Fleeson spied a covey of reed birds close by and rose to his feet, putting his gun to his shoulder to shoot. Campbell saw the birds simultaneously and, taking quick aim, blazed away.

The charge entered the back of Fleeson's head and he dropped backward into the boat at the feet of his horrified friends. Death was instantaneous, the shot, fired at such close range, carrying away part of Fleeson's skull.

New Head of Mines Bureau.

Dr. J. A. Holmes, chief of the technological branch of the geological survey, was appointed by President Taft director of the new bureau of mines. He succeeds George Otis Smith, who has been acting director since July 1.

The appointment of Dr. Holmes came as a complete surprise. He was known as one of the men in the interior department who was regarded by Secretary Ballinger as inimical to him. He was labeled by Mr. Ballinger as one of the "snakes" whom he intended to "kill."

\$20,000 Salary For Woman.

Mrs. Annie McConkey has been elected to succeed her late husband, Senator Edwin C. McConkey, as secretary and treasurer of a York, Pa., insurance company.

The election occurred at a meeting of the board of directors of the company after due consideration. Mrs. McConkey, it is estimated, will draw a salary of \$20,000 a year.

This is probably one of the largest salaries paid to a woman in the United States.

4,766,883 People in New York.

Census returns show the population of Greater New York to be 4,766,883, an increase of 1,329,681, or 38.7 per cent, as compared with 3,437,202 in 1900.

Census returns by boroughs are: Manhattan, 2,331,542; Bronx, 430,930; Brooklyn, 1,634,351, an increase of 464,769, or 40.1 per cent; Richmond, 85,969; Queens, 284,041.

New York thus holds its position as the second city of the world.

Heaviest Baby Girl.

A girl weighing fifteen pounds and fourteen ounces was born to Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. McGinty, of Franklin, Pa. The weight was made on accurate scales by Dr. H. P. Hammond, of Franklin, who says he believes this a record for girls. The medical record tells of a few boys weighing sixteen pounds, but no girls weighing within three or four pounds of that figure. This is the tenth child in the McGinty family, the others being boys. The father is a laborer.

\$60,000 Bulldog Dead.

What was acknowledged by the dog show judges to be the finest bulldog in the world, and one for which its owner, Walter Jefferies, refused \$60,000 a few weeks ago, has just died suddenly in London. It was named Dick Stone. He was a grandson of Rodney Stone, for which Richard Croker paid \$50,000.

Car Kills Trapped Man.

Siler Cole, a yard conductor for the Buffalo & Susquehanna railroad, was held prisoner in a frog until run down by a car at Galeton, Pa. His leg was crushed to the hip and he died.

Will Meet in Richmond Next Year.

The Atlantic Deeper Waterways association accepted the invitation of the southern delegates to hold next year's convention in Richmond, Va.

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AN INFERNAL MACHINE.

How It Was Prevented From Blowing Up a Ship.

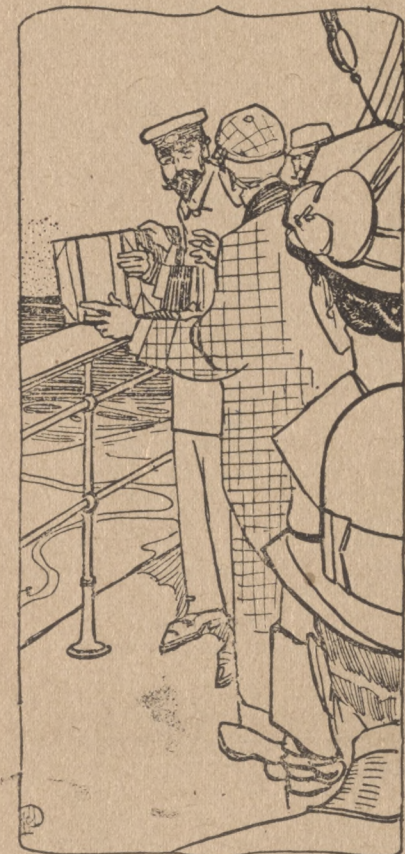
By SALLIE MENDEM.

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A party of travelers was assembled on the upper deck of the ocean liner *Erw*, four days out from Southampton, England, bound for New York. Walter Ricker had met and traveled with Miss Eugenia Floyd. They had become engaged and were returning to their homes to secure their parents' sanction to their union.

The ocean during the voyage had run smooth, but the course of true love had not. An Englishman who permitted the fact to leak out that he was the eldest son of an earl and was going to America in search of a wife paid considerable attention to Miss Floyd, much to the annoyance of Mr. Ricker. The name under which this scion of British nobility traveled was plain John Mervale. He wore a check-board suit with golf cap to match and was the best shuffleboard player on the ship.

Mr. Mervale had settled himself into a steamer chair beside that of Miss Floyd, while Mr. Ricker was chatting or trying to chat with other young ladies of the party. His attention was not given to the young ladies, but to



THE CAPTAIN HESITATED.

the compliments the Britisher was paying his fiancée and the pleasure with which she received them.

Now comes a deck steward with a wireless telegram in his hand, which he delivers to Mr. Mervale. The gentleman reads it, starts, and his hand trembles. He rises at once, seeks the captain of the ship and hands him the message, signed by the Southampton superintendent of police:

"One of your pieces of baggage was left on the dock. There is every reason to believe that an infernal machine with your name and address on it was shipped in its stead by anarchists with the intention of blowing up the ship."

The captain turned pale. "Where is your baggage?" he asked Mr. Mervale.

"Part in the baggage room and part in my stateroom."

"Can this thing be in your stateroom?"

"No."

"Very well. We must get out what you have in the baggage room immediately."

The captain, attended by Mr. Mervale, went down on to the main deck and, entering the baggage room, ordered all the Britisher's luggage pulled out. There was a suspicious looking box about which the latter seemed very uncertain. He said that his mother had done his packing and he was not sure whether this box belonged to him or not. One of the men present put his ear to the box and distinctly heard the ticking of machinery. This was enough. The captain ordered the box thrown overboard.

"One moment," said Mr. Mervale. "I'm not sure but that's a clock in there my mother asked me to take over and give to her sister, my aunt, who is living in America."

"We can't take any risk," said the captain. "Heave the box overboard."

"But, captain," persisted the Englishman, "if that box is really mine it contains several articles of great value. My mother spoke to me about it, but till this moment it had escaped my mind."

"The ship and cargo are worth too much money to take any risk, and the lives of the passengers certainly cannot be jeopardized."

"Nevertheless I protest against my property being jettisoned, and I am not sure but this box is mine and contains family heirlooms of great value sent by my mother to relatives in America. I think it quite probable that some one on the dock heard the ticking of the clock and informed the superintendent of police that the box was an infernal machine, hence the telegram. Suppose we open the box and find out."

"Not on your life!" said the captain.

"Very well. I have another plan to propose. Lower one of the lifeboats, place the box in it and tow the boat with a line long enough to be perfectly safe."

As these words were spoken the box was being carried out and in another moment was resting on the rail ready to go overboard. Mr. Mervale made so strong a protest that the captain hesitated. Mr. Mervale declared that if the box contained his property he would hold the captain responsible for its destruction. The captain, influenced by this argument, changed his mind and ordered a boat lowered. The box was put in the bottom of the boat, which was towed at the end of a 200 foot line.

The matter was not permitted to get out among the passengers till after the infernal machine was in tow, and then it was no longer possible to keep it secret. People gathered on the stern clamoring to know why the boat with its contents was being put out, and when it was at a safe distance those who knew admitted that there was a box in the boat which might contain an explosive. Immediately the news spread that anarchists had endeavored to blow up the ship and it had been saved only by a wireless telegram from the chief of the Southampton police.

Mr. Mervale, who had received the telegram and among whose baggage the anarchists had placed the explosive, at once became the most important man aboard, not excepting the captain. Passengers crowded around him to learn every detail. He endeavored to calm them, telling them that he believed a mistake had been made and that the box simply contained a clock and other family heirlooms.

As distinguished men find their value enhanced by always keeping themselves before the public, so Mr. Mervale gained with Miss Floyd by his prominence, even if it were only on account of having had among his baggage that which might blow the ship and passengers sky high. Somehow Ricker, who had seemed to her quite a man when pulling her in a boat on Lake Como, now appeared equally tame in comparison with this earl's son, who had become the center of attraction for the whole ship. The former gradually gave way to the latter, and Miss Floyd, instead of walking the deck or sitting in a steamer chair all day in company with Mr. Ricker, merely began these sociabilities with him and continued them with Mr. Mervale.

Meanwhile the infernal machine bobbed up and down on the waves. Knots of passengers constantly loitering on the stern looked at it and swapped opinions whether in case of an explosion it was far enough from the ship to avert any damage. Then came the approach to port, the handing around of custom house blanks on which to make declarations of dutiable baggage, the filling in of articles purchased abroad and handing them to the purser. Mr. Mervale said that if the box being towed was what he supposed it was the duty on the articles it contained was considerable. The question as to whether it was a box of heirlooms or an infernal machine must be settled by the custom officers. He rather thought they would pass it free of duty.

The evening before reaching port Miss Floyd was sitting with Mr. Mervale on the upper deck, where they were not so liable to interruption as they would be lower down. He was telling her of the family home of his father, the earl, and his mother, the countess. Then he told her how rich he had sent him to America, where rich wives were to be had by British noblemen for the asking, that he might marry a wealthy American girl and build up the family estates when he came into the title. But he had been captured before his arrival. He had no sooner seen Miss Floyd than he had succumbed to her, rich or poor.

Miss Floyd told him that, as to means, she would have on the death of her father a large inheritance. But a complication had arisen in the matter of Walter Ricker. There was an engagement that had not been approved by her parents and might not be approved by them. She would be pleased to have Mr. Mervale call on her in New York. That was all a young lady who had recently accepted one man could say to another whom she wished to replace the first.

But she said nothing of this to Ricker. Miss Floyd was taking home a number of valuables that were dutiable. Her father was ready to pay the duty on them, but there is a fascination in "beating" the government on customs that attacks even young girls. Mr. Mervale told her that he had a way of getting goods through the custom house and if she would bring them up to him he would smuggle them into port and send them to her immediately afterward. She brought him up several thousand dollars' worth of goods, then bade him good night, showing by a slight pressure of the hand that he might hope.

Soon after the parting between Mr. Mervale and Miss Floyd Fire Island light was sighted, and in the morning the *Eric* was steaming up New York bay.

But where was the boat containing the infernal machine? And where was Mr. Mervale? The former was not in tow, and the latter was not on the ship.

No one ever found out how the "earl's son" got the box which, besides a clock, contained \$100,000 worth of diamonds ashore. He doubtless took Miss Floyd's valuables in the same boat and smuggled them in, as he had promised, but Miss Floyd never saw them or him again.

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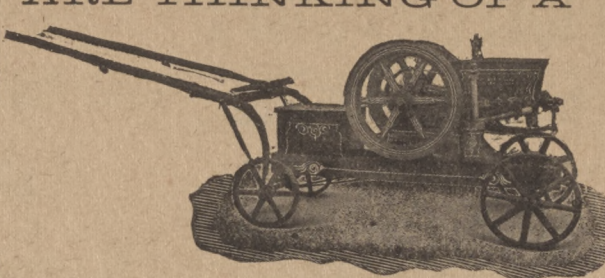
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MAN'S POLITENESS.

"Man," said a woman traveler, "appears to have a limit to his politeness. If you go into a street car with a friend and find the vacant seats all scattered in singles a man will get up and change his seat so that you and your friend may sit together; but in the street car the seats are all alike and he loses nothing by the change, while in a railroad car the situation is different and one seat may be more desirable than another, and there politeness may be less pronounced.

"Let two women go together, into a parlor car in which their seats, the best they could do, are apart, and there a man may politely offer to exchange his seat for one of their two; but there again the man loses nothing. The real test comes when a lone woman walks into a situp car where all the seats by the window are taken.

"She walks down the aisle to where she'd like to sit and there she takes a seat by the aisle. There's a man by the window and he moves over nearer to it politely to make room for her, but does he offer her the seat by the window? Not often. His politeness is changing or exchanging seats seems to be limited to such changes as will leave him as well off as he was before.

"But really, do you know, I don't think I blame him. He came early so that he could get a desirable seat, and if I wanted one should not I have done the same? Perhaps he was going a long distance and the seat may have been important to him. Would it be reasonable for me to expect him to give up his better seat to me anyway? I think not, really, and yet in some ways at least man does appear sometimes to have a limit to his politeness."

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The most expensive manurial substance the farmer has to purchase is the commercial fertilizer which contains nitrogen, such as nitrate of soda, guano, tankage, etc. Nitrogen, which forms four-fifths of the atmosphere, is a necessary ingredient in animal and plant food. The nitrogen in the air should supply the ground with plant food, but nitrogen is hard to catch, or "fix," as the process is technically called, and while it is possible to secure it with the aid of static electricity and also by chemical processes, the cost is at present prohibitive. When living things die or animal products decompose, a process which is brought about through the medium of disintegrating bacteria, some of their nitrogen is converted to plant use, which explains why manure brings such a high price.



CLOVER FROM INOCULATED SOIL AND FROM NONINOCULATED SOIL.

(From Harper's Weekly.)

Another nitrogen fertilizer, nitrate of soda or Chile salt-peter, which has been secured from ancient deposits of guano, is fast being exhausted, not only by farm demands, but by the demand for gunpowder. We must therefore look elsewhere for nitrogen to flourish plants, for soon the supply of natural nitrogen fertilizers will fall short of the demand, says Harper's Weekly.

Now, certain plants have the property of absorbing nitrogen from the atmosphere through the medium of millions of bacteria which gather the free nitrogen from the air, and this nitrogen can be used in place of expensive commercial fertilizers. The most beneficial nitrogen gathering bacteria form excrescences called "nodules" on the roots of certain plants of the pod bearing family. These plants are called legumes and include clovers, peas, beans, alfalfa, peanuts, etc. These bacteria have one function only to perform—they form a copartnership with the plant to supply it with nitrogen. They gather in great numbers on the roots of legumes, forming nodules, which are large colonies of bacteria stored with nitrogen. In exchange for sugar food which the legumes give the bacteria and on which they thrive the bacteria gather nitrogen from the air and feed it to the plants as desired. The plant by giving 2 per cent of sugar receives 95 per cent of nitrogen from the bacteria. When roots of legumes die in the ground the nitrogen which the bacteria have already gathered and stored in these little bunches or nodules on the roots is given to the soil, which is then rich in nitrogen. When the next crop is planted in that soil, no matter what crop it may be, nitrogen is there—the more nodules the more nitrogen. Therefore it is to the farmer's advantage, to the advantage of the world, to encourage the increase in growth of these nodules.

The more nodules that are formed on the roots the more nitrogen is fed to the plant, and this makes the plant grow more healthily, makes the foliage deeper in color, more abundant and of greater food value, the roots stronger and longer and the stalks taller and sturdier.

Experiments in transferring nitrogen rich soil from some sections of the country where these bacteria flourish to new localities, to mix with worked out soil, have been made. Sometimes the experiment is successful. More often, however, some harmful ingredient of the soil is also spread to the new soil. The only safe way is to apply healthy bacteria direct to the seeds of the crop before planting—to inoculate the seeds with bacteria which will gather nitrogen from the air to feed to the growing roots.

When every farmer whose soil lacks nitrogen employs the aid of bacteria there will be a wonderful increase in size and weight of crops; there will be a wonderful increase in the protein value of food for cattle, which will make for increased food value for man.

Harvesting Clover Seed.

The seed should be well matured before being cut. The heads must be well browned, and the seed should rub out in the hand. If the clover is cut too green much seed is lost, so it is a very important point to let it get thoroughly ripe before cutting.

How many farmers rotate crops? How many are exhausting the fertility of their farms instead of increasing it?

ONE VIEW OF FARMING.

Read Here About Conditions Found Thirty Miles From Chicago.

"I am willing to believe anything about the prosperity of western farmers after a recent adventure of mine near Chicago," said a man just returned from his vacation. "My wife and I were visiting friends in Chicago when I received a letter from an old school-mate asking us to 'run out to the farm' and pay them a little visit. The farm, he wrote, was some thirty miles out of Chicago, and we were to come informally."

"We started out to the farm. The train would land us there at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and, remembering my boyhood up in New Hampshire, I knew that at that hour they would just be washing up the dinner dishes. So we took particular pains to have an early luncheon before we started. Our first surprise was at the station, a small, one horse affair. Up to the station at a spanking trot came my old friend X., driving two well bred horses in a smart carriage."

"But this was as nothing to what awaited us. At the end of a three mile drive X. turned in at what you'd call a lodge gate in England, with the house back nearly a quarter of a mile from the road. It didn't look so very large or very fine, but the first thing I sighted on the piazza was X.'s three small children playing, attended by three nursemaids in white aprons and caps. Mrs. X. came out to greet us arrayed in a dress that my wife says couldn't be bought for less than \$100."

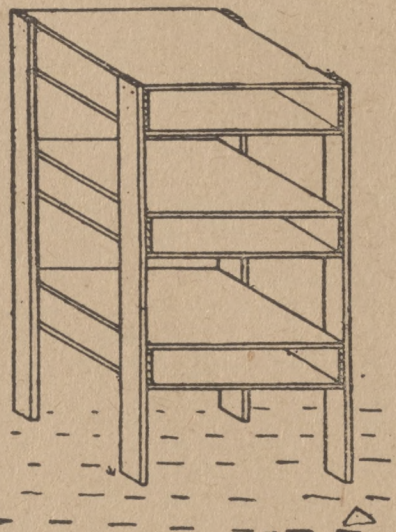
"It grew worse and worse or better and better, according to your point of view. X.'s man' escorted our small satchel upstairs, and Mrs. X.'s maid appeared with a large dressing bag for my wife and a kimono that fairly made her eyes water. A third meal of some fancy variety announced to us that dinner was ready. It seems that they had it regularly at 3 o'clock. "Dinner was served by the butler. It began with oysters on the half shell. Besides the usual fixings of a six course dinner, they had crabs, frogs' legs, alligator pears and champagne. I hardly dared look at my wife, remembering the luncheon we had so carefully taken at the Chicago station to avoid making extra work for the farmer's wife. When the champagne came on that nearly finished us."

"Back to the farm? Well, I guess, but not in the rocks of New Hampshire. When I take to farming it will be raising garden truck for Chicago or St. Louis."—New York Times.

Outbreaks of dangerous and contagious disease among live stock should be reported to the state department of agriculture at once.

Cracker Box Compartment.

Having a number of small wood cracker boxes, the seventy-five cent kind, we conceived the idea that they could be easily converted into a handy compartment for the many little things that accumulate around the shop. We



MADE OF CRACKER BOXES (From the Iowa Homestead.)

made one from three boxes, as illustrated, and it was amazing the amount of floor space it cleaned up when set in one corner of the shop and filled with paint cans, plow lays, hinges, etc., that had theretofore been occupying floor space.—Iowa Homestead.

Water Farming Recommended.

Among the multitude of wise sayings from the lips of Secretary Wilson this comes back to us frequently:

"The time will come when a farmer will realize a greater profit from the acre of fish pond that lies on his place than from any single acre of land."

Suppose we write to the department of agriculture for whatever literature it may have on this subject and then ask the state fish commissioner on what terms the state will stock that stream. Even if there is no money in it there's the possibility of a good many tasty Friday dinners.—Farm Press.

Sunflower Seed For Poultry?

Sunflower seed is recommended for feeding poultry from the fact that the kernel of the seed contains oil that is thought to be beneficial for improving the quality of color and gloss upon the plumage of fowls and as an aid to poultry during molt. The facts are that sunflower seed is more than 90 per cent waste matter, the hulls of sunflower seeds being very difficult for the fowls to digest and of little or no feeding value, says the Country Gentleman. A few sunflower seeds may be of benefit to poultry. Any considerable amount of them would be a detriment.

A WOMAN'S HAT.

There's a Large Pot of Trouble Brewing For One Milliner.

Mr. Standish was mad when he went into the millinery establishment, and the longer he stayed the madder he got. Presently he walked over to a stunning black creation that hung on a peg near the window and said: "This is the hat I want to see you about."

The proprietor came forward. "What can I do for you?" he asked. "You can fix this hat over the way my wife asked you to," said Standish explosively. "She wants the feather put on the other side, that bow moved to the front, and she wants the rim to bulge a little more over the temples."

Seeing a guilty flush creep over the proprietor's face, Standish went on with increased heat:

"She says you have refused to make any alterations on the ground that a stitch added to or subtracted from the hat is bound to ruin it, but I tell you that's all nonsense. My wife knows how she wants her hat to look, and if she can't stand up for her rights I'll do it for her. She is coming around this afternoon to try the hat on again. If it isn't ready by that time there will be no end of a row."

The proprietor twirled the black hat on his forefinger and looked from it to the head saleswoman lugubrously.

"I remember," he said, "that the lady who ordered that hat did bring it back yesterday to be remodeled. Perhaps it will be possible to make the alterations suggested after all."

The manager's humility made Standish feel very proud of himself.

"That's the only way to deal with those fellows," he said when he left the shop. "You've got to meet them on their own level. It takes a man to do that. No wonder women get cheated out of their very eyeteeth. They haven't got sand enough to say the things that have to be said to secure their rights."

Throughout the day Standish continued to revel in self congratulations, and he actually went home half an hour ahead of time to see if his wife's hat had been metamorphosed into the thing of beauty he had suggested.

"Well," said he jubilantly, "was the hat all right?"

"All right?" said Mrs. Standish. "They hadn't even touched it. How could you expect it to be all right when you didn't stop in to see about it?"

"But I did stop," protested Standish. "I saw everybody about the place and laid the whole establishment out in great shape. Here's their card to prove I was there. I picked it up as I was passing out."

Mrs. Standish took up the card and read the name aloud.

"O-o-h!" she cried. "Is that where you went? Why, you got into the wrong place. What on earth will that manager think? He must think you are crazy."

"I don't care if he does," said Standish limply, "but I would like to know what the owner of that black hat will say when she sees it made over according to my directions."—New York Herald.

Economical.

A good story is related of an English theatrical manager who by thrift and hard work had amassed a fortune. Previous to the production of one play the stage carpenters had to repair a trap, and the head carpenter went to the manager and informed him that it could not be done in the dark.

"Well, lad, thee won't have t' gas," answered the manager. "Here, tak' this and buy a candle."

And he handed him a halfpenny.

The carpenter pleaded that they wanted two in order to get sufficient light.

"How long will t' job tak' thee?" asked the manager.

"About ten minutes," was the reply.

"Then cut t' candle in two," was the answer. "Thee won't have any more money."

Physiognomy.

It is impossible to say just when physiognomy began to be a "science." It is said that the celebrated Pythagoras founded the science about B. C. 540. It is spoken of by Hippocrates about B. C. 450, but he does not attempt to go into the discussion of its origin. The first systematic treatise on the subject that has come down to us is that attributed to Aristotle. Throughout the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries there were many publications on physiognomy.—Exchange.

The Nautical Idiom.

In "Glimpses of East Africa" Mrs. Ethel Younghusband tells an amusing story of a venerable Parsee who was on board a big liner going to England. Some one wishing to make himself agreeable went up to him and said, "I hope, sir, you are a good sailor." "Sailor, indeed!" said the Parsee. "Why, I am a first class passenger!"

A Rod In Pickle.

Mrs. Goodsole—Why, Johnny, are you just going home now? Your mother's been looking for you all afternoon. Johnny—Yes'm, I know. Mrs. Goodsole—Just think how worried she must be! Johnny—Oh, she's near the end of her worrying. I'm jest beginning mine.

Proof.

"How do you know she's older than you are?" "Why, she admitted it herself. She said 'You and I are just the same age, dearie.'"—Cleveland Leader.

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